

## Topic: Affordable Housing

This document contains public input on affordable housing. The public input was collected through open-ended questions in the Toronto Core Service Review Public Consultation Feedback Form. Information about the consultation as well as other data sets and results is available at <http://www.toronto.ca/torontoservicereview/results.htm>.

Because of the large volume of comments received from 13,000 participants, multiple keyword searches were used to identify the information for this document. The comments below are in the order in which they were received, are listed by the question on the Feedback Form that they were responding to, and show the full response to the question which may include input on other topics.

### Responses:

- [To begin, what do you think are the most important issues facing our city in 2011? Please list up to three issues.](#)
- [Are there any other important city-wide issues you think the City of Toronto should consider?](#)
- [Do you have any other comments on how the City should fund services?](#)
- [Is there anything else you would like City Council to consider when making decisions about services in the future?](#)

**To begin, what do you think are the most important issues facing our city in 2011? Please list up to three issues.**

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1.	affordable housing
2.	affordable housing
3.	Housing
4.	Housing
5.	Housing Costs
6.	affordable housing
7.	Housing
8.	social housing
9.	Affordable housing
10.	Need for good affordable housing
11.	Affordable Housing
12.	Housing insecurity & homelessness
13.	affordable housing
14.	Affordable Housing
15.	Lack of affordable housing
16.	inadequate public housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
17.	need to expand government funded affordable housing
18.	Affordable Housing
19.	Lack of affordable housing / long waiting lists
20.	affordable housing - no middle class
21.	Housing
22.	PUBLIC HOUSING
23.	affordable housing
24.	More affordable housing
25.	Affordable housing
26.	affordable housing
27.	affordable housing
28.	Affordable housing
29.	Affordable Housing
30.	Skyrocketing real estate prices/affordable housing
31.	Public Housing
32.	affordable housing
33.	Housing
34.	Proper funding for housing
35.	public housing
36.	affordable housing
37.	affordable housing
38.	Affordable Housing
39.	Provision of social services (childcare, housing)
40.	Social Services - Daycare/housing
41.	poverty, homelessness, affordable housing
42.	Housing
43.	high cost of living - expensive housing
44.	housing
45.	Homelessness/affordable housing
46.	Affordable Housing
47.	Affordable Housing
48.	Affordable housing
49.	Affordable Housing
50.	Housing affordability & adequate supply
51.	Affordable Housing
52.	Lack of affordable housing
53.	affordable housing
54.	not privatizing public services, such as garbage collection, public housing
55.	affordable housing
56.	Community Housing
57.	lack of affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
58.	poverty and all of its effects (housing, need for social and health services)
59.	public housing
60.	providing affordable housing and services
61.	Affordable Housing
62.	Affordable Housing
63.	Affordable housing
64.	Lack of affordable, safe and clean public housing
65.	housing
66.	Cost of Purchasing and Owning a Home (Housing prices and property taxes)
67.	Expensive housing (real estate and rental)
68.	Public housing
69.	housing
70.	Affordable Housing
71.	Affordable Housing
72.	Housing & other services for the poor
73.	Affordable housing
74.	Housing
75.	housing affordability
76.	affordable housing
77.	affordable housing
78.	Affordable Housing
79.	Public housing
80.	Affordable housing
81.	Community Housing
82.	Housing Affordability
83.	Affordable Housing
84.	affordable housing
85.	affordable housing
86.	high cost and low quality of housing
87.	Affordable housing
88.	Affordable housing
89.	lack of affordable housing
90.	affordable good housing
91.	Affordable Housing
92.	Public housing
93.	Affordable housing
94.	social housing
95.	community housing
96.	housing expenses
97.	Lack of Affordable Housing
98.	Affordable Housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
99.	housing
100.	Affordable housing
101.	Affordable housing
102.	Low cost housing
103.	Affordable housing
104.	Social housing
105.	Affordable housing for everyone
106.	affordable housing
107.	Affordable Housing
108.	Low Income housing
109.	Student housing -- safety
110.	Affordable Housing
111.	affordable housing
112.	social housing
113.	affordable housing
114.	Housing and homelessness
115.	Social housing
116.	Housing
117.	the condition of City housing and the impact of surrounding property values
118.	affordable housing
119.	Affordable housing
120.	Affordable Housing
121.	Housing Shortages
122.	Public housing
123.	AFFORDABLE HOUSING
124.	Lack of affordable housing
125.	Affordable housing
126.	Subsidized housing for the poor
127.	Social Housing
128.	Housing
129.	affordable housing
130.	Affordable housing
131.	Affordable housing
132.	Housing
133.	affordable housing
134.	lack of affordable housing
135.	affordable housing
136.	Affordable Housing
137.	Affordable housing
138.	Accessible Housing
139.	Affordable Housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
140.	housing
141.	Affordable Housing
142.	Homelessness and supportive housing
143.	public housing
144.	inadequate public housing
145.	people services, i.e. housing, food security
146.	public housing
147.	Getting Toronto Community Housing on track
148.	long-term affordable housing is needed
149.	Affordable housing
150.	reducing homelessness, affordable housing
151.	affordable housing
152.	services/programs/housing for the homeless
153.	Lack of Affordable Housing
154.	Affordable Housing
155.	Affordable housing
156.	subsidized housing
157.	affordable & safe housing
158.	need more affordable housing
159.	Housing
160.	housing
161.	social services/Housing
162.	Public housing
163.	Affordable housing
164.	lack of affordable housing
165.	Affordable Housing
166.	lack of sufficient affordable housing
167.	Adequate social housing
168.	housing
169.	Poverty and Housing Issues
170.	Affordable Housing
171.	housing
172.	Affordable housing
173.	Housing Affordability
174.	Public housing
175.	Public Housing
176.	Affordable Housing
177.	Affordable Housing
178.	low-cost housing
179.	Lack of affordable housing for working poor
180.	Affordable housing

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181.	HOUSING
182.	Affordable Housing
183.	affordable housing
184.	housing
185.	affordable social housing
186.	Affordable housing
187.	Housing
188.	affordable housing
189.	Affordable Housing
190.	Affordable Housing
191.	Housing
192.	affordable housing
193.	greenwin out of TCHC
194.	Affordable housing
195.	social housing for vulnerable people
196.	Public housing
197.	Housing Costs
198.	affordable housing
199.	housing
200.	Low Income Housing
201.	Affordable Housing
202.	Homelessness & Lack of Safe, Affordable Housing
203.	Public housing
204.	Affordable housing
205.	housing affordability
206.	Increasing affordable housing
207.	Affordable Housing for the hard working citizen
208.	Housing
209.	housing and affordable housing
210.	Housing
211.	Public housing renewal
212.	Affordable public housing and improve their services and operations
213.	Lack of affordable housing (esp. rental units)
214.	Provincial downloading: income redistribution programs like welfare, child care and public housing should not be funded by property taxes.
215.	Affordable housing
216.	Affordable housing
217.	housing
218.	Housing costs
219.	Affordable housing
220.	Affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
221.	Social housing
222.	Public housing
223.	Affordable housing
224.	affordable housing and homelessness strategy
225.	Public Housing
226.	poverty/hunger/housing
227.	social housing
228.	Affordable housing
229.	Affordable housing
230.	Lack of public housing
231.	housing
232.	affordable housing
233.	low income support including housing.
234.	housing
235.	Affordable Housing
236.	Affordable housing
237.	Affordable housing
238.	Affordable housing
239.	Social Housing
240.	Sustainable growth (infrastructure/housing)
241.	Housing
242.	affordable housing
243.	affordable housing
244.	Affordable housing
245.	new housing developments
246.	poverty and subsidized housing
247.	affordable housing
248.	housing
249.	Housing
250.	Assisted housing
251.	affordable housing
252.	Affordable housing
253.	Affordable Housing
254.	Social housing/poverty
255.	affordable housing
256.	improving public housing
257.	Lack of affordable housing
258.	Affordable housing
259.	More public housing
260.	maintain Public Housing under ownership and supervision of the city
261.	housing and homelessness

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
262.	poverty reduction, better social safety net (availability of REAL affordable food/housing/healthcare/education)
263.	Poverty and lack of social housing
264.	Housing issues (including increase cost of rentals and bed bugs)
265.	Affordable Housing
266.	Lack of safe, secure housing
267.	housing
268.	Housing
269.	housing and homelessness
270.	Affordable Housing
271.	Affordable Housing
272.	affordable housing
273.	Housing
274.	The city needs more publicly funded affordable housing
275.	Housing
276.	Affordable Housing and Homelessness
277.	public housing
278.	affordable housing
279.	Affordable housing
280.	Housing and Social Supports
281.	Affordable Housing
282.	Sustainable Housing Development
283.	Affordable Housing
284.	affordable housing
285.	Housing
286.	lack of affordable housing
287.	Affordable housing
288.	Caring social service programs - affordable housing, affordable child care, assistance for people in need
289.	Housing
290.	affordable housing
291.	Affordable Housing
292.	Housing
293.	Affordable housing
294.	Affordable Housing
295.	housing
296.	Housing
297.	affordable housing
298.	affordable housing
299.	Liveability, good housing for all citizens
300.	housing



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301.	Affordable Housing
302.	affordable housing
303.	Affordable Housing
304.	housing price cap
305.	housing
306.	Affordable Housing
307.	Affordable housing
308.	Availability of SAFE and affordable housing for residents with lower incomes, esp. those who are new to the city.
309.	Community housing
310.	lack of affordable housing
311.	Housing costs
312.	Affordable housing
313.	Affordable housing
314.	Housing
315.	Housing
316.	Housing, homelessness and supports
317.	Affordable housing
318.	Affordable Housing
319.	Public Housing
320.	housing
321.	Housing
322.	lack of affordable housing
323.	Social Housing
324.	affordable housing
325.	quality of low-income housing
326.	Housing
327.	public housing crisis
328.	Adequate affordable housing
329.	Cheaper Housing
330.	affordable housing
331.	housing
332.	Affordable housing
333.	affordable housing
334.	Housing
335.	housing and homelessness
336.	Taking money from the real gravy train (police) and putting it into daycare, parks and recreation, affordable housing and green issues
337.	Lack of affordable housing
338.	Affordable Housing
339.	community low cost housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
340.	backlog on assisted housing
341.	Affordable Housing
342.	Housing
343.	Housing
344.	housing
345.	Adequate housing
346.	affordable housing
347.	affordable housing
348.	Attack and privatization of city services, i.e. housing, ttc, etc...
349.	lack of affordable housing
350.	affordable housing
351.	lack of public housing
352.	Low income Housing
353.	Cost of housing
354.	housing/overpopulation
355.	TCHC
356.	affordable housing
357.	Affordable housing
358.	lack of affordable housing
359.	housing
360.	housing
361.	Affordable housing and homelessness
362.	housing
363.	Housing
364.	affordable housing
365.	Shelter, support and housing for homeless and low-income individuals and families
366.	Safe, affordable housing for all Torontonians
367.	Affordable Housing
368.	affordable housing
369.	Homelessness and lack of Affordable Housing
370.	Lack of adequate Housing
371.	care and housing for the city's vulnerable (newcomers, homeless, ill)
372.	affordable housing
373.	Affordable Housing
374.	Homelessness, providing good low cost housing to those who need it
375.	affordable housing
376.	providing more and better housing for low income people
377.	High housing costs
378.	Housing
379.	Affordable Housing
380.	public housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
381.	housing prices are unaffordable
382.	family housing in the core
383.	social housing
384.	Community housing
385.	Affordable Housing
386.	Affordable housing
387.	affordable housing for those who need it
388.	Sky-high housing prices
389.	affordable housing
390.	Housing
391.	affordable housing
392.	Affordable housing
393.	Affordable Housing
394.	social housing
395.	housing
396.	Keeping and maintain our Social Housing
397.	housing
398.	Housing
399.	rental and housing costs
400.	subventioned housing
401.	Shelter and Housing
402.	affordable housing
403.	Affordable Housing
404.	housing
405.	affordable housing
406.	Improving housing and services to the poor
407.	Housing
408.	Lack of accessible social housing
409.	Supportive Housing
410.	affordable housing
411.	affordable housing
412.	Affordable Housing
413.	affordable (not public!) housing
414.	Lack of affordable housing
415.	Housing
416.	Ensuring that public services such as TCHC and the TTC do not get privatized so that a few can benefit at the expense of many
417.	Affordable housing
418.	Affordable Housing - public.
419.	HOUSING
420.	good affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
421.	affordable housing
422.	Affordable Housing
423.	housing
424.	increased affordable housing
425.	Housing
426.	inadequate housing for low income residents
427.	Poverty and lack of affordable housing
428.	housing
429.	housing
430.	Lack of Affordable Housing
431.	housing
432.	Lack of affordable housing
433.	housing
434.	Low-Income Housing
435.	Housing
436.	Affordable housing
437.	Affordable Housing
438.	Housing Affordability
439.	Supporting low-income families and affordable housing
440.	Social Housing
441.	Housing
442.	affordable housing
443.	affordable housing
444.	Multiple-generation occupancy of assisted housing, and no controls on the use of utilities, despite the punishing rate schedules for private use
445.	Insufficient quantities of social and supportive housing
446.	Housing
447.	housing
448.	Housing: waiting list should benefit in present dwelling
449.	lack of affordable housing
450.	affordable housing
451.	affordable housing
452.	Rising Housing Costs
453.	Public housing
454.	housing
455.	Affordable housing
456.	affordable and safe housing
457.	affordable housing
458.	Affordable Housing
459.	Affordable Housing
460.	Housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
461.	Support/funding/housing for low income/vulnerable groups, families and individuals
462.	housing
463.	Affordable Housing
464.	Housing and long term care for Seniors
465.	affordability (housing/transportation)
466.	Affordable housing
467.	housing for low income families
468.	housing for homeless
469.	lack of affordable housing
470.	housing
471.	housing
472.	housing that is affordable and accessible
473.	affordable housing (for both tenants and homeowners)
474.	Housing
475.	Good quality affordable housing.
476.	Limited low income housing
477.	increasing affordable housing/safe housing
478.	affordable housing
479.	Public Housing
480.	Affordable Housing
481.	Affordable housing
482.	affordable housing
483.	Affordable housing
484.	housing for those in poverty
485.	Affordable Housing
486.	Affordable housing
487.	housing
488.	housing
489.	Housing
490.	Welfare/ subsidized housing
491.	the need for good affordable housing
492.	Public Housing
493.	Lack of affordable housing
494.	affordable housing
495.	housing
496.	Social services including public housing
497.	Housing
498.	housing
499.	public housing
500.	Affordable Housing
501.	HOUSING

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
502.	Housing
503.	Public Housing
504.	housing
505.	Affordable Housing
506.	lack of affordable housing
507.	Subsidized Housing
508.	Affordable Housing
509.	Housing
510.	affordable housing
511.	Affordable housing
512.	affordable housing
513.	Increasing affordable housing
514.	Community Services offered through CHC's (School Breakfast Programs, Adult Drop-In Programs, Community Information Centre's, Speech & Language Services, Early Years Programs, Harm Reduction Programs, Youth Programs, Community Garden Programs, Counselling/Intake/Crisis/Mental Health Programs, Dads Programs, Immigration & Settlement Programs, Housing Programs, etc)
515.	maintaining assisted housing
516.	affordable housing
517.	affordable housing
518.	Affordable Housing
519.	housing
520.	housing
521.	Affordable Housing
522.	Affordable housing
523.	affordable housing
524.	housing costs
525.	Affordable housing
526.	Lack of affordable housing
527.	housing - low income and *WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE*
528.	A range of affordable housing
529.	Poverty (inc. affordable housing)
530.	public housing
531.	Affordable housing
532.	Affordable Housing
533.	infrastructure and housing developments
534.	Public housing
535.	housing
536.	affordable housing
537.	housing
538.	housing affordability

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
539.	Public housing, caring for those less fortunate, creating possibilities
540.	Affordable Housing
541.	affordable housing
542.	affordable housing
543.	Affordable Housing
544.	High housing costs and homelessness
545.	Housing
546.	Housing prices
547.	affordable housing
548.	Development of affordable housing the is transit accessible
549.	Housing
550.	Housing
551.	Affordable housing
552.	Housing Affordability
553.	Increasing affordable housing
554.	Affordable housing
555.	affordable housing
556.	Public Housing
557.	Affordable housing
558.	Housing
559.	housing
560.	housing
561.	access to safe, clean affordable housing
562.	Social housing/ support
563.	Affordable housing
564.	poverty and housing
565.	lack of family-friendly housing
566.	Housing
567.	Social Housing
568.	housing
569.	affordable housing
570.	Housing Costs
571.	Affordable housing
572.	Affordable Housing
573.	addressing issues of poverty and affordable housing
574.	Affordable housing
575.	housing
576.	Housing
577.	Affordable Housing
578.	Housing for poor and homeless
579.	shortfall of affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
580.	Housing
581.	housing
582.	affordable housing
583.	Housing
584.	affordable housing
585.	supported housing
586.	social housing
587.	High cost of housing
588.	Affordable housing
589.	housing
590.	lack of affordable housing
591.	housing
592.	affordable housing
593.	affordable housing
594.	affordable housing
595.	public housing
596.	affordable housing
597.	Affordable Housing
598.	Managing High-Density Housing Development
599.	Housing
600.	Affordable Housing
601.	affordable housing -- we need to make sure people can afford their homes
602.	housing prices
603.	housing (affordable)
604.	Shortage of affordable housing
605.	Housing
606.	funding public housing
607.	Housing
608.	Social Housing/Social Programs
609.	Housing for vulnerable people
610.	Housing
611.	Lack of affordable housing
612.	public housing
613.	public housing
614.	Quality Low-income housing availability
615.	Affordable Housing and Community Strength
616.	providing affordable housing
617.	Housing/Homelessness
618.	Social Services/Housing
619.	affordable housing
620.	Affordable Housing



	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
621.	housing
622.	Housing: too expensive and deteriorating conditions
623.	Poverty / lack of affordable housing
624.	cost of housing
625.	Affordable housing
626.	housing prices
627.	Public Housing
628.	Affordable Housing
629.	safe & affordable housing
630.	Housing
631.	Housing
632.	Affordable Housing
633.	Lack of affordable housing
634.	public housing
635.	affordable housing
636.	affordable housing
637.	public housing
638.	Social housing
639.	housing
640.	affordable housing
641.	housing
642.	affordable housing
643.	Affordable housing
644.	keep toronto safe by improving funding for the tchc and keeping it public
645.	Public/community housing
646.	TCHC should be better funded
647.	Social Housing Services
648.	housing prices
649.	lack of public housing
650.	affordable housing
651.	affordable housing
652.	TCHC needs to stay public....
653.	Social Services - we need our public housing kept public, and more focus on serving the needs of our most needy citizens
654.	transportation (e.g., bicycles, public transit), especially for suburbs and planning (e.g., spreading out concentration of housing and business so people can work where they live)
655.	Affordable housing
656.	Threats to privatize key services (Garbage, community housing, etc.)
657.	No privatization of Toronto public housing and increased number of beds in homeless shelters

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
658.	Poverty (affordable housing, lack of secure jobs, etc)
659.	better funding for TCHC
660.	social housing and programmes
661.	community housing
662.	give better tchc options
663.	Crisis in affordable housing and undemocratic City takeover of TCHC
664.	lack of social housing
665.	Community Housing
666.	Lack of affordable housing/quality social housing
667.	Affordable Housing
668.	lack of affordable housing
669.	Housing
670.	housing
671.	the lack of investment in social and affordable housing
672.	Increase affordable housing
673.	housing
674.	accessible and affordable transportation and housing
675.	Affordable Housing
676.	affordable housing
677.	community housing
678.	affordable housing
679.	Housing
680.	Affordable housing
681.	Lack of affordable housing
682.	Create more and better city housing
683.	Affordable housing
684.	public housing
685.	affordable housing
686.	Inadequate social housing
687.	Services -- libraries, parks & recreation programming, affordable housing initiatives, public health
688.	Affordable housing
689.	housing
690.	Affordable housing
691.	Affordable Housing
692.	lack of affordable housing
693.	low income housing
694.	Community Housing
695.	affordable housing
696.	Housing (finding affordable housing)
697.	Affordable housing

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698.	subsidized housing shortages
699.	Housing
700.	housing
701.	Public Housing
702.	Housing
703.	Housing
704.	Affordable Housing
705.	Improving the quality of community housing
706.	Housing / health
707.	Availability of public housing
708.	lack of affordable housing
709.	affordable housing
710.	Housing the Homeless
711.	lack of affordable housing & foodbanks low supplies
712.	Affordable Housing
713.	affordable housing
714.	housing
715.	Affordable housing
716.	affordable housing in accordance with City Plan
717.	increased rental housing
718.	Lack of affordable housing
719.	affordable housing
720.	affordable housing
721.	housing
722.	affordable housing
723.	homelessness and affordable housing
724.	housing
725.	social housing
726.	affordable housing
727.	affordable housing
728.	affordable housing
729.	Poverty-affordable housing
730.	Affordable Housing
731.	housing
732.	affordable housing
733.	lack of new affordable housing being built
734.	housing
735.	Affordable housing
736.	affordable housing
737.	limited low cost housing
738.	housing

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739.	housing
740.	New affordable housing shortage
741.	Lack of affordable public housing
742.	housing
743.	affordable housing
744.	Affordable housing
745.	poverty relief/food distribution/housing
746.	Housing Affordability
747.	Poverty (affordable housing, food security...)
748.	SUBSIDIZED HOUSING
749.	social housing
750.	Subsidized housing residents
751.	Lack of affordable housing
752.	Affordable Housing
753.	Housing and Poverty
754.	affordability for basic needs housing etc
755.	Housing
756.	Social welfare and housing
757.	affordable housing
758.	housing
759.	housing
760.	Housing
761.	Affordable housing
762.	housing
763.	Inefficiencies of Public Agencies (Social housing, municipal contractors)
764.	Housing
765.	Housing and homelessness
766.	Housing
767.	Affordable Housing
768.	Affordable housing
769.	Housing
770.	lack of affordable housing
771.	Affordable Housing
772.	affordable housing
773.	homeless/under housed people/inadequate social housing
774.	Homeless housing
775.	providing assistance (housing, education, necessities of life) to the poor
776.	High cost of housing
777.	housing
778.	Housing
779.	social housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
780.	Housing Issues (affordable, accessible, secure, for ALL tenants. We need a Landlord Licensing system. LTB doesn't work. Need more monitoring and enforcement of standards)
781.	Affordable Housing
782.	Affordable housing
783.	Student affordable rental housing
784.	Housing
785.	affordable housing
786.	Funding to Housing
787.	Affordable housing - increase, manage better
788.	low income housing
789.	Affordable Housing
790.	selling homes owned by tchc
791.	Affordable housing
792.	Social housing & support
793.	housing
794.	affordable housing
795.	affordable housing
796.	Affordable/Adequate/Safe Housing. Really, I think all issues that the City wants to take off it's list of core services is a DISservice to all people in Toronto.
797.	community housing
798.	under funded public housing budgets
799.	Affordable housing
800.	Affordable housing/the state of TCH
801.	Social Housing
802.	Lack of housing
803.	Social Housing costs (should be pd by province)
804.	Lack of affordable housing
805.	Excellent basic community services and resources: health, housing, education, libraries, parks and recreation, transit, food, etc.
806.	housing
807.	Housing
808.	Affordable Housing
809.	community housing
810.	affordable housing
811.	housing
812.	Affordable housing
813.	housing low rentals
814.	affordable housing
815.	Housing
816.	PUBLIC HOUSING

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
817.	city planning - housing, bike lanes, public spaces, preserving heritage buildings, etc.
818.	Housing
819.	Lack of affordable housing
820.	affordable housing
821.	housing
822.	the lack of affordable housing
823.	Downtown Housing
824.	public housing
825.	Affordable housing
826.	public housing
827.	Housing
828.	Expensive cost of living (housing).
829.	housing
830.	housing and nutrition for homeless
831.	Keep Toronto housing
832.	Affordable housing
833.	Fixing up subsidized housing
834.	Housing
835.	Affordable Housing
836.	public housing
837.	affordable housing
838.	Housing Costs
839.	Lack of affordable housing
840.	affordable housing
841.	Affordable Housing for ALL
842.	Adequate housing for ALL
843.	affordable housing for all ages
844.	Housing
845.	affordable housing
846.	Affordable Housing
847.	Affordable Housing & Day Care, Eliminate Poverty
848.	Affordable housing
849.	Public Housing
850.	Housing insecurity
851.	affordable housing
852.	Accessible, affordable housing
853.	lack of subsidised housing
854.	Public Housing
855.	Lack of affordable housing
856.	Lack of affordable housing
857.	Housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
858.	Affordable housing
859.	Public Housing
860.	Affordable housing
861.	affordable housing
862.	Reductions in Toronto Housing maintenance budgets
863.	Housing for homeless and low income housing
864.	affordable housing
865.	accessible housing for all Torontonians
866.	lack of decent affordable family housing
867.	new housing planning - increasing density
868.	affordable housing
869.	Services, e.g. housing, drug counselling, OASP & OW, youth community centres and supports for "greatest in need"
870.	Affordable Housing and Shelters
871.	housing
872.	affordable housing
873.	Affordable housing
874.	affordable housing
875.	housing
876.	housing for all- no people on streets or shelters
877.	Affordable Rents - All rents need to be rent geared to Income
878.	Safety and housing
879.	Housing
880.	affordable housing
881.	housing low income
882.	stop sell off of toronto community housing
883.	affordable housing
884.	affordable housing/programs for mentally ill / poor
885.	reduce waiting period to obtain housing
886.	housing crisis
887.	Housing, including for disabled and confused
888.	Low cost housing - homelessness etc.
889.	Not enough housing we can afford
890.	Accessible housing services for women and their families
891.	Affordable housing
892.	affordable housing
893.	safety in housing
894.	Taking away affordable daycare and housing from the poor people
895.	vulnerable low-income groups are being ignored-need more services and affordable housing
896.	Affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
897.	Affordable housing
898.	Shelter Support and Housing for Homeless and low income people
899.	Increase affordable housing
900.	housing
901.	Extreme shortage of affordable housing
902.	Housing
903.	affordable housing/shelters
904.	Housing
905.	Housing
906.	Access to public housing
907.	Affordable housing
908.	Affordable housing
909.	Affordable Housing
910.	Access to housing
911.	Maintaining Social Housing
912.	Lack of Affordable Housing
913.	Adequate social housing
914.	Housing and homeless
915.	Housing
916.	public housing
917.	Housing & poverty
918.	Providing Social Housing
919.	lack of affordable housing
920.	the need for social housing
921.	Housing
922.	Lack of Affordable Housing
923.	HOUSING AND INCOME SECURITY
924.	housing
925.	Housing
926.	subsidy for housing
927.	affordable housing
928.	Housing
929.	housing
930.	Housing
931.	Lack of affordable housing
932.	Increasing housing and social assistance supports to get our families and seniors out of poverty
933.	Need more affordable housing
934.	amenities and housing for disabled
935.	affordable housing
936.	3. Important services: Every service is important. I read the list of services and could



	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
	only find one that I felt needed some cuts, police. Most importantly, we need to attend to climate change in every way possible, including discouraging car use. Transit is extremely important. Restore the original 'Transit City Plan'. We don't need subways, we need more kilometers of accessible, fast, transit that services all areas of the city, especially the pockets of less affluent people, and that we can afford. The Transit City Plan was completely funded. . Do not raise fees for recreation, health , etc programs. Make sure you can subsidize programs for poor people. Stop trying to privatize services – in almost every city where they have been privatized it has not been as successful as city-run services and has often cost more. Public Housing is crucial and more housing should be built every year. Instead of selling off housing that needs repair we should look for clever ways of using private sector to help make the repairs. It is short sighted to sell off things the city owns. Short term gain, often long-term loss.
937.	affordable housing
938.	Public housing
939.	affordable housing
940.	social housing
941.	providing affordable housing
942.	housing
943.	affordable housing
944.	Affordable Housing
945.	Affordable Housing
946.	Building afford housing
947.	Housing
948.	Affordable housing
949.	housing
950.	Affordable Housing
951.	Social housing
952.	funding for social housing
953.	bad plan to sell affordable housing
954.	Affordable housing
955.	Housing
956.	Equitable access to affordable housing, City-wide
957.	Affordable Housing
958.	affordable housing
959.	Lack of Affordable Housing
960.	lack of affordable housing
961.	Need for quality, affordable housing for all.
962.	disparity of incomes poverty social housing
963.	Affordable Housing
964.	Affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
965.	Affordable Housing
966.	Affordable Housing
967.	housing rent is expensive
968.	low-income housing
969.	Privatization by the city of public assets and services like garbage, public housing, etc. This is NOT what I want for my city.
970.	housing
971.	Housing
972.	Housing Costs
973.	affordable housing
974.	Housing
975.	affordable housing
976.	Lack of safe, affordable public housing
977.	lack of affordable housing
978.	housing is very expensive
979.	continuing to deliver affordable housing
980.	Housing
981.	affordable housing
982.	Affordable housing
983.	adequate housing
984.	public housing
985.	low cost housing
986.	public housing
987.	Affordable Housing
988.	Public housing
989.	affordable housing and support
990.	housing for homeless and low income citizens
991.	housing for homeless and low-income people
992.	Maintaining public housing
993.	Lack of affordable housing
994.	Affordable Housing
995.	Low-Income Housing
996.	Affordable Housing
997.	Poverty and Public Housing
998.	affordable housing
999.	Housing
1000.	Affordable Housing
1001.	Homelessness, Poverty and Affordable Housing
1002.	Public Housing
1003.	Housing
1004.	Affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1005.	Affordable housing
1006.	Affordable Housing
1007.	Affordable Housing
1008.	The way that TCHC traps its users and clogs itself because it is too difficult to leave
1009.	Housing
1010.	Increasing affordable housing
1011.	Access to affordable housing
1012.	Public housing
1013.	Increase housing funding so nothing like what happened at Wellesley St. happens again!
1014.	affordable housing
1015.	There is not enough affordable housing within the core of the city
1016.	don't privatize TCHC
1017.	Housing
1018.	affordable housing
1019.	Public housing
1020.	affordable housing
1021.	housing
1022.	housing
1023.	AFFORDABLE HOUSING
1024.	Affordable Housing
1025.	homelessness and affordable housing
1026.	inequities of access to affordable housing
1027.	Homelessness and Affordable Housing
1028.	Inequities in access to affordable housing
1029.	Improve TCHC, but do not cut or privatize
1030.	Housing
1031.	accessible housing
1032.	Affordable Housing
1033.	housing
1034.	improve public housing - even though I have never needed it or anyone in my family
1035.	housing
1036.	public housing
1037.	REDUCING SERVICES &/OR CHARGING MORE (e.g. affordable housing, recreational facilities)
1038.	Poverty (housing etc)
1039.	social housing
1040.	Community housing , more needed
1041.	Low income housing
1042.	Housing
1043.	TCHC Management & Funding

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1044.	housing
1045.	SOCIAL HOUSING
1046.	Public Housing
1047.	Affordable Housing
1048.	Housing/Rental Cost
1049.	Affordable Housing
1050.	set up long-term plans to conserve affordable low-income housing within the city's core
1051.	Lack of affordable housing
1052.	cost of housing
1053.	Affordable Housing / Homelessness
1054.	Cost of living-housing, necessities, groceries, clothing, etc.
1055.	services for the homeless/low income housing
1056.	affordable housing
1057.	affordable housing
1058.	Housing
1059.	Affordable housing
1060.	Affordable Housing
1061.	Social housing
1062.	Housing
1063.	affordable social housing
1064.	Low income housing
1065.	Affordable Housing
1066.	Affordability of housing
1067.	affordable housing
1068.	homelessness/affordable housing
1069.	Housing
1070.	Community housing
1071.	Housing the poor, weak and disabled
1072.	Social services (housing, income, health) need sufficient funding
1073.	affordable housing
1074.	Low income housing
1075.	maintaining and improving services i.e.. libraries, parks, ttc, community housing etc.
1076.	Social supports (access to housing, food, employment)
1077.	Housing
1078.	Skyrocketing housing prices
1079.	affordable housing wait lists length
1080.	housing
1081.	insufficient supply of public housing
1082.	Affordable Housing
1083.	Affordable Housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1084.	Access to Affordable Housing
1085.	housing
1086.	housing
1087.	Housing
1088.	Social Housing
1089.	social housing
1090.	Homelessness/Affordable Housing
1091.	affordable housing
1092.	increasing affordable housing
1093.	Shelter, support and housing for homeless and low-income individuals and families
1094.	lack of affordable housing
1095.	Social housing
1096.	housing
1097.	Safe and affordable housing
1098.	affordable housing
1099.	poverty reduction and housing
1100.	housing for mentally ill and disadvantaged
1101.	Affordable housing
1102.	Affordable Housing
1103.	affordable housing
1104.	Affordable Housing
1105.	Housing
1106.	housing
1107.	not enough affordable housing
1108.	homelessness/housing
1109.	Housing affordability
1110.	Affordable housing (rental)
1111.	Lack of affordable housing
1112.	Affordable Housing
1113.	affordable housing
1114.	cut social housing
1115.	public housing
1116.	Reasonable Housing
1117.	TCHC (City Owned) Building maintenance
1118.	affordable housing
1119.	Lack of/need for social housing
1120.	affordable housing
1121.	Housing
1122.	housing costs
1123.	social service programming - e.g.. housing & youth programs
1124.	Public housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1125.	Housing
1126.	Affordable housing
1127.	Affordable housing
1128.	Affordable Housing
1129.	housing
1130.	Housing (for lower income people)
1131.	Housing and development
1132.	Housing
1133.	Affordable housing
1134.	Affordable Housing for Low Income Families
1135.	public housing
1136.	affordable housing
1137.	affordable housing
1138.	Housing
1139.	Social programs/community housing
1140.	lack of affordable housing
1141.	housing bubble
1142.	Affordable Housing
1143.	affordable/supportive housing in all areas
1144.	Housing
1145.	Lack of Affordable and Adequate Housing
1146.	housing
1147.	Poverty/housing/programs
1148.	affordable housing
1149.	Affordable housing
1150.	inadequate assisted/ public housing
1151.	need more public housing
1152.	repair public housing
1153.	affordable housing
1154.	improving access to affordable housing
1155.	inadequate level of affordable public housing - homeless people and families
1156.	Affordable Housing
1157.	Affordable Housing
1158.	affordable housing
1159.	public housing
1160.	Housing
1161.	public housing
1162.	Public Housing
1163.	housing
1164.	Lack of affordable housing
1165.	Public Housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1166.	affordable housing
1167.	Affordable housing shortages
1168.	Social Housing
1169.	lack of affordable housing
1170.	Adequate social housing
1171.	affordable housing
1172.	Public Housing
1173.	affordable housing
1174.	Affordable Housing
1175.	Affordable housing
1176.	housing
1177.	affordable housing
1178.	Public housing
1179.	Poverty issues, housing, support systems
1180.	lack of affordable housing
1181.	continuously escalating unaffordable housing
1182.	Affordable housing
1183.	Poverty (lack of adequate affordable housing, job training, daycare, youth programs, etc.)
1184.	affordable housing
1185.	Social Services - housing, recreation, etc.
1186.	City building - environment, infrastructure, housing dev. and architecture
1187.	Affordable Housing
1188.	affordable housing
1189.	Affordable housing
1190.	affordable housing
1191.	Housing
1192.	Housing
1193.	Securing well-maintained housing for all citizens in private or public units.
1194.	housing - both affordable and social housing
1195.	Affordable housing
1196.	affordable housing for families
1197.	affordable housing
1198.	supportive housing
1199.	housing and poverty
1200.	Affordable Housing
1201.	income inequality/poverty/homelessness/affordable housing
1202.	affordable housing
1203.	providing adequate public housing
1204.	cleaning up municipal housing so tenants can live in safety and respect
1205.	affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1206.	affordable housing, subsidized housing
1207.	affordable housing
1208.	affordable housing, subsidized housing
1209.	Housing (affordable)
1210.	Affordable housing (homelessness)
1211.	Rob Ford trying to sell our public housing which is a BAD IDEA.
1212.	Affordable Housing
1213.	Affordable Housing
1214.	affordable housing
1215.	housing
1216.	Public Housing - needs more support and funding
1217.	Keeping TCHC owned by City of Toronto/Taxpayers
1218.	Housing
1219.	affordable housing
1220.	affordable housing
1221.	Helping homeless/affordable housing
1222.	housing
1223.	Housing
1224.	Negotiating the Multicultural Community (Police, Housing, Schools...)
1225.	Social housing
1226.	Eliminating the backlog of repairs (affordable housing, road, etc.)
1227.	housing
1228.	Homelessness/Lack of Affordable Housing
1229.	Affordable housing
1230.	Housing
1231.	Housing
1232.	Affordable housing
1233.	Housing
1234.	Lack of affordability--high housing and transportation cost, low wage part-time work, growing division of wealth
1235.	Affordable Housing
1236.	increasing truly affordable housing
1237.	Keeping public housing public
1238.	Housing, health and food costs/availability
1239.	Affordable Housing
1240.	Housing
1241.	affordable housing
1242.	Affordable housing
1243.	Need for more quality public affordable housing
1244.	Housing and Social Services
1245.	LOSS OF LOWER INCOME HOUSING TO DEVELOPERS



	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1246.	Lack of affordable housing
1247.	affordable and adequate housing
1248.	affordable housing
1249.	More Affordable Housing
1250.	Affordable Housing & Homelessness
1251.	Affordable housing
1252.	Increasing affordable housing
1253.	Affordable housing costs
1254.	affordable housing
1255.	HOUSING
1256.	Feeding/housing the needy
1257.	affordable housing
1258.	public housing / seniors housing
1259.	Housing
1260.	wait list for low income families to receive support for child care, proper housing
1261.	Affordable housing
1262.	Affordable Housing
1263.	housing
1264.	affordable housing
1265.	Affordable Housing
1266.	affordable housing
1267.	affordable housing
1268.	Affordable Housing
1269.	Lack of affordable housing for the poor
1270.	affordable housing
1271.	affordable housing
1272.	Affordable Housing
1273.	Unaffordable housing
1274.	housing for the mentally ill
1275.	affordable housing
1276.	more affordable housing needed
1277.	lack of accessible housing
1278.	Affordable housing
1279.	lack of affordable housing
1280.	public housing
1281.	Toronto Housing
1282.	increase affordable housing
1283.	Providing low-income housing
1284.	Housing Prices
1285.	affordable housing
1286.	Housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1287.	affordable housing
1288.	housing
1289.	Affordable Housing
1290.	Integrated Public Housing
1291.	Lack of affordable housing
1292.	Increasing affordable housing
1293.	Shortage of decent affordable housing
1294.	homelessness - lack of affordable housing
1295.	more public housing
1296.	Adequate Housing
1297.	affordable housing/homeless
1298.	housing for residents of limited income
1299.	Housing
1300.	Housing
1301.	High cost of housing
1302.	Affordable housing
1303.	Public Housing
1304.	Affordable housing
1305.	affordable housing
1306.	Housing
1307.	Housing
1308.	housing
1309.	affordable housing
1310.	Housing
1311.	Housing for people with low income
1312.	State of public housing needs upgrading.
1313.	decent public housing
1314.	Affordable Housing
1315.	Deterioration of public housing and infrastructure
1316.	Housing costs
1317.	Public Housing
1318.	Drug and violent crime in/from public housing
1319.	housing
1320.	Affordable housing
1321.	housing
1322.	Detect fraud from welfare / low income housing / using money received for drugs
1323.	Public Housing
1324.	social housing
1325.	spiralling living costs (rent/housing, food, etc)
1326.	Public Housing
1327.	Cost of housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1328.	Not cutting funding to existing services like public transit, public libraries, affordable housing and community centres with pools.
1329.	affordable housing
1330.	Housing
1331.	Housing Prices
1332.	good but inexpensive housing for the 'working poor'
1333.	illegal housing
1334.	Housing
1335.	lack of affordable and supportive housing
1336.	Social Housing/ Youth Homelessness
1337.	TCHC
1338.	Affordable Housing
1339.	affordable housing
1340.	affordable housing
1341.	affordable and adequate housing for low-income residents
1342.	affordable housing
1343.	social housing
1344.	Housing
1345.	Affordable housing
1346.	Affordable Housing
1347.	housing
1348.	Affordable housing
1349.	Public housing
1350.	housing for the homeless and park maintenance
1351.	increasing social housing availability
1352.	Low cost housing
1353.	affordable housing
1354.	Affordable Housing
1355.	Affordable housing
1356.	Affordable housing
1357.	affordable housing
1358.	affordable housing
1359.	affordable housing
1360.	creating a city culture and brand and creating more low income housing projects
1361.	housing
1362.	Low income housing/housing the poor
1363.	Public housing shortage and poverty
1364.	Housing
1365.	Affordable Housing
1366.	Affordable Housing
1367.	Housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1368.	Safety in public housing
1369.	Lack of affordable housing
1370.	Shortage of Social/Subsidized Housing
1371.	affordable housing
1372.	affordable housing
1373.	lack of affordable housing
1374.	Stop Waste - millions of \$\$\$ is spent on social services, programs and events in support of diversity. (e.g.. welfare, ESL, affordable housing, festivals, translators, etc.) What they really need is work!!
1375.	housing
1376.	Housing
1377.	Affordable housing
1378.	housing
1379.	Shelters / Affordable Housing / Homelessness
1380.	STREET AND HOUSING SAFETY
1381.	Affordable housing and Infrastructure building
1382.	affordable housing
1383.	Affordable housing
1384.	affordable housing
1385.	Housing
1386.	shortage of housing
1387.	Affordable housing
1388.	Need for affordable housing
1389.	housing
1390.	affordable housing
1391.	lack of affordable housing
1392.	social housing
1393.	Abuse of social services and housing
1394.	Affordable housing
1395.	Housing
1396.	affordable housing
1397.	providing low cost housing
1398.	housing
1399.	Affordable housing
1400.	Affordable housing
1401.	Affordable safe housing and services
1402.	affordable housing
1403.	Housing
1404.	cutting wasteful spending at TCHC
1405.	affordable housing
1406.	Affordable Housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1407.	Public housing
1408.	housing
1409.	Affordable housing
1410.	housing
1411.	affordable housing
1412.	affordable housing
1413.	Affordable Housing
1414.	Housing Market
1415.	Affordable Housing
1416.	affordable housing, rent control
1417.	Affordable housing
1418.	Affordable Housing
1419.	Social housing
1420.	Affordable Housing
1421.	affordable housing
1422.	Affordable Housing
1423.	Housing
1424.	affordable housing
1425.	housing
1426.	Affordable Housing
1427.	Poverty & affordable housing
1428.	Public housing
1429.	Affordable Housing
1430.	affordable housing
1431.	affordable housing
1432.	planning for sustainable future in Toronto, in housing, roads, environmental concerns
1433.	housing
1434.	affordable housing
1435.	Affordable Housing
1436.	Affordable housing
1437.	Affordable Housing
1438.	Public Housing
1439.	Affordable housing - at risk neighbourhoods
1440.	Affordable Housing
1441.	Affordable housing
1442.	Affordable Housing
1443.	the desperate need for affordable housing and mental health services
1444.	Homelessness/affordable housing
1445.	Affordable Housing
1446.	TCHC
1447.	Affordable public housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1448.	Dignified community housing (well-maintained, planned and accessible)
1449.	Housing
1450.	the lack of affordable housing
1451.	Cost of housing
1452.	affordable housing
1453.	Low cost housing
1454.	Affordable housing
1455.	access to good housing for EVERYone
1456.	Affordable housing for the poor & homeless
1457.	Housing
1458.	housing
1459.	Subsidised housing
1460.	Not Raising housing taxes
1461.	Affordable Housing
1462.	housing
1463.	Affordable and liveable housing for all
1464.	Low income housing
1465.	Public Housing
1466.	affordable housing
1467.	Affordable housing
1468.	affordable housing
1469.	Affordable Housing
1470.	Housing for poor
1471.	Poverty/Social Housing/Homeless People
1472.	Social Housing
1473.	public housing
1474.	rent geared to income seniors housing
1475.	affordable housing
1476.	Affordable Housing
1477.	public housing
1478.	Public Housing
1479.	Affordable housing
1480.	Affordable Housing
1481.	Lack of access to housing and food for low income families
1482.	Accessible Housing
1483.	Housing
1484.	Poverty and affordable housing
1485.	(scarcity and cost of) housing
1486.	Affordable Housing
1487.	homelessness/affordable housing
1488.	Affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1489.	housing
1490.	Housing
1491.	Affordable housing shortage
1492.	Affordable Housing
1493.	housing the poor and the elderly
1494.	social housing
1495.	housing/ high rents
1496.	Housing
1497.	Affordable Housing
1498.	Affordable housing
1499.	Affordable Housing
1500.	Housing
1501.	community housing
1502.	affordable housing
1503.	Access to affordable, appropriate housing
1504.	Housing for the poorest citizens
1505.	Housing
1506.	housing
1507.	Housing
1508.	Affordable housing
1509.	lack of affordable housing
1510.	supportive housing
1511.	community housing
1512.	affordable housing
1513.	housing
1514.	public housing
1515.	Affordable Housing
1516.	Affordable housing
1517.	social housing
1518.	public housing
1519.	housing for moderate and low income, disabled
1520.	More public housing is needed
1521.	Affordable Quality Housing
1522.	access to affordable housing
1523.	Affordable Housing
1524.	housing costs
1525.	affordable housing
1526.	affordable housing
1527.	Housing
1528.	rent geared to income housing
1529.	affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1530.	Housing
1531.	affordable housing
1532.	community housing
1533.	affordable and supportive housing
1534.	affordable housing
1535.	Housing
1536.	housing
1537.	Affordable Housing
1538.	affordable housing
1539.	Social justice: decreasing inequity -- includes social programs, housing, recreation
1540.	Fixing the TCHC - selling scattered houses
1541.	support and housing admin
1542.	housing
1543.	affordable housing
1544.	Housing and support
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1555.	housing
1556.	Public housing
1557.	Affordable Housing
1558.	Affordable and appropriate housing
1559.	bedbugs/roaches/mice/rats i.e. rental and housing issues
1560.	I want a more straightforward way to access permits for housing improvements
1561.	Affordable Housing
1562.	affordable housing and health services specially for women
1563.	adequate housing for all
1564.	lack of affordable housing
1565.	keep the tchc as a service, not a for-profit company!
1566.	affordable housing for all ages
1567.	affordable housing
1568.	Public housing
1569.	Ontario Housing corporation - too expensive
1570.	Affordable and appropriate housing



	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1571.	social housing
1572.	shelter, support and housing
1573.	Affordable Housing
1574.	a for-profit TCHC will only hurt poor people
1575.	Housing and Social Supports
1576.	affordable housing that's also accessible for people with disabilities
1577.	Increasing affordable housing
1578.	Affordable Housing
1579.	Affordable housing
1580.	affordable housing
1581.	affordable housing
1582.	give better public housing for needy people
1583.	homelessness and housing
1584.	Housing
1585.	affordable housing
1586.	Over priced housing market
1587.	housing
1588.	affordable housing for the poor
1589.	Housing/Food
1590.	housing
1591.	Public Housing
1592.	affordable housing
1593.	Community Housing
1594.	Increase funding and accountability with TCHC
1595.	Affordable Rental/Housing
1596.	social housing
1597.	Affordable housing
1598.	Affordable Housing
1599.	this city needs more affordable housing!
1600.	Housing
1601.	Help the homeless by making housing more affordable
1602.	Affordable Housing
1603.	Affordable housing
1604.	Rehabilitation of public housing
1605.	affordable housing
1606.	affordable housing
1607.	Community Housing
1608.	The unfortunate selling off of Toronto Community Housing units
1609.	housing
1610.	affordable housing
1611.	Affordable Housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1612.	Expanded public housing
1613.	Saving Toronto Housing
1614.	Housing Shortages
1615.	Affordable Housing
1616.	Housing
1617.	housing for low income families
1618.	sale of public housing
1619.	affordable housing, lack of
1620.	Housing
1621.	Community Housing
1622.	housing
1623.	Housing
1624.	Increasing the supply of public housing
1625.	housing
1626.	Creating more affordable ;housing
1627.	Lack of affordable housing
1628.	Retaining anti-poverty funding and programs (i.e., affordable housing, subsidies, drop in centres, shelter beds, etc.)
1629.	Poverty/lack of affordable housing
1630.	affordable housing
1631.	Affordable Housing
1632.	housing
1633.	the manifest need to preserve and expand democratic (public) ownership of services clearly related to the public interest (e.g. public transportation and community housing)
1634.	Affordable Housing
1635.	affordable housing
1636.	Housing
1637.	Affordable Housing
1638.	Public Affordable Housing
1639.	Housing
1640.	Affordable Housing
1641.	Housing Affordability
1642.	Community Programming and Housing
1643.	affordable housing
1644.	Social Housing
1645.	affordable housing
1646.	lack of affordable housing
1647.	Housing
1648.	Affordable Housing
1649.	housing

	<b>Affordable Housing: Important Issues</b>
1650.	Affordable housing
1651.	Public Housing
1652.	Lack of affordable housing
1653.	lack of affordable housing
1654.	stop the political games with the tchc
1655.	more affordable housing to get homeless off of streets
1656.	housing
1657.	affordable housing
1658.	affordable housing
1659.	Affordable Housing
1660.	public affordable housing
1661.	lack of affordable liveable housing
1662.	housing and support systems for disenfranchised populations
1663.	affordable housing
1664.	affordable housing
1665.	affordable housing being built
1666.	lack of affordable housing
1667.	Housing
1668.	Providing affordable housing solutions
1669.	housing
1670.	Affordable housing
1671.	Low Income Housing
1672.	lack of affordable housing
1673.	Housing
1674.	Social Housing
1675.	poverty - housing, food
1676.	Housing
1677.	Affordable housing and related services
1678.	Affordable Housing
1679.	housing
1680.	housing
1681.	Housing
1682.	housing
1683.	Affordable Housing
1684.	Public housing
1685.	public housing availability/conditions
1686.	Affordable housing
1687.	affordable housing
1688.	Affordable housing
1689.	Housing affordability and availability
1690.	affordable housing

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1691.	affordable housing
1692.	homelessness - need for more and better subsidized housing
1693.	Shelter Support and housing for homeless and low-income people
1694.	Public goods such as libraries, parks, affordable housing, etc. that benefit everyone who lives in the city
1695.	Housing
1696.	Affordable Housing
1697.	Affordable housing
1698.	Social services (employment training, affordable housing, at risk kids programs)
1699.	Affordable Housing
1700.	Affordable Housing
1701.	social housing
1702.	housing
1703.	Affordable housing for low income earners
1704.	Housing (Affordable, adequate, safe, secure. the Landlord Tenant Board is supposed to be simple and easy, but it's not. We need a Landlord Licensing system with an Escrow account for bad landlords to fix up their units. Better MLS enforcement of bad buildings and landlords/management companies. Harsher fines for people who don't comply)
1705.	Lack of affordable housing
1706.	housing
1707.	Housing (safe, clean, affordable for all)
1708.	Affordable Housing
1709.	public housing
1710.	was disgusted that elderly, fixed income residents living in TCHC homes had their houses sold and were kicked
1711.	Maintaining and improving social programs like community housing
1712.	Housing and homelessness
1713.	housing
1714.	affordable housing
1715.	Affordable Housing
1716.	lack of affordable housing
1717.	low income housing is non existent or impossible to obtain

## Are there any other important city-wide issues you think the City of Toronto should consider?

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	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
1.	Supporting a liveable and equitable city where all people can thrive and contribute to community. We need to pay attention to the environment, ensure a great transportation system and ensure affordable housing is being delivered by government.
2.	I believe the employees of the City of Toronto are being unfairly targeted and labelled as lazy and dishonest. In an attempt to find gravy, as promised in his campaign, the Mayor has turned the community against certain groups such as TCHC, TTC and garbage collection. We need to work together to improve things, not point fingers and find blame.
3.	Providing and maintaining services to marginalized communities, including gay/lesbian/trans communities; controls on ever-expanding police budget; finding solutions other than privatization for services like garbage, community housing, etc.
4.	Don't sell off assets (enwave, Toronto community Housing, land, etc...) to cover future budget shortfalls. Go after actual 'gravy' like the Toronto Police budget, get them to make cuts and stop handing them wads of cash year after year (crime is down and budgets up for 20+yrs). TTC service and efficiencies (they waste so much money its not funny), I'm tired of this more \$ for less service concept.. / /
5.	we need to eliminate all paid duty for police and limit overtime 3) we need to do away with police retention bonuses 4) we need to establish Toronto residency requirements for cops and other city workers. No more collecting a 6-figure salary in Toronto and living in Ajax 5) we need to roll back TTC fares 6) impose an eye-sore tax on property owners who do not maintain their buildings (e.g. 90% of the buildings on Yonge street) 7) go after the Federal government for all the money Toronto spends housing and looking after refugees that the feds let into Canada
6.	Possibility of reduced public accountability if certain services (such as garbage collection & housing) are privatized. The politicizing of many funding issues with every election cycle is damaging the City's ability to properly conduct life cycle cost analysis and adhere to funding plans for various long-term projects.
7.	affordable housing, accessibility for people with disabilities, traffic/gridlock
8.	The City should care about housing for all people, including those most in need. The City should care about ensuring that our public spaces are given opportunities to grow and thrive and that, notwithstanding any perceived inefficiencies, those attributes of a community-promoting, cultured and art-friendly City are protected and preserved at all costs.
9.	affordable housing -there is a serious problem-with so many people losing there jobs - and aging its adding stress to peoples lives

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
10.	It is my belief that the City of Toronto should close down their Voyageur Canoe and Canoe department at Sunnyside Beach. This is a total waste of money that can be accommodated by the private sector at a much lower cost to the City of Toronto. / / We should not use police officers to watch over construction sites. With high unemployment in the city the job could go to more needy individuals. / / The city should create make work programs for people who need welfare and are capable of working. I have a friend who has been looking for a job for over one year and would love to work behind a garbage truck rather than collect welfare. / / The city should get completely out of the social housing business. Buildings older than 25 years old should reserve a percentage of their apartments for those who qualify for social assisted housing. The government should pay the landlord directly and provide the landlord with special rights to make sure the apartments are being maintained properly. The money raised by selling off all our social housing units could pay down our deficit. By implementing this program would not have a concentration of needy in any one building creating an environment where gangs will not thrive. / / The city of Toronto should combine school recreation facilities with city recreation facilities in order to improve these facilities without duplication. / / The city should work with the province to encourage the use of slow moving electric vehicles. This will encourage the development of this future technology right here in the city. / / The city should encourage the use of solar residential water heaters. / / The city should do a five year hiring freeze not replacing retiring workers. Less government is better government. / / The city should use software internet applications for all communication with the public. Done properly this can reduce the need for much staffing and improve service. / / The city should review the need for each and every department. The city should shrink the departments unless the need is crucial. If the need is medium to minor then come up with a private solution and close the department. / / The city should privatize as much as possible. Even if the cost is the same the long term pension expense support damage will be avoided.
11.	urban planning. cycling infrastructure. affordable housing. priority neighbourhoods.
12.	Bike infrastructure, access to recreation and arts programs, housing assistance
13.	Inclusionary housing policies city-wide - mandatory requirement for affordable housing in new developments / Local strategies to reduce disparities in health in different neighbourhoods
14.	excessive policing; callousness toward the poor; homelessness; need for rent-geared-to-income housing (a massive need, yet one which can be met)
15.	affordable housing, sustainable transit alternatives given energy prices, uploading certain services back to the province that has a broader tax base
16.	Homelessness and Affordable housing - we need commitments like the new Ottawa city council has made
17.	More transit, more bike lanes, more affordable housing, more sustainable energy solutions.
18.	affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
19.	Too many people spend too much of their income solely on rent. The city needs to provide safe, affordable housing for everyone as a fundamental human right. We need to make the needs of our most vulnerable citizens our first priority.
20.	affordable housing and planning tools to support mixed communities
21.	safe injection sites for drug users, affordable housing for all.
22.	lack of affordable housing / lack of well-paying jobs (too many businesses pay minimum wage, which is too low for Toronto) / public transit cuts in low-income neighbourhoods, like the cancellation of Finch LRT.
23.	the city is engaging in appealing property taxes on a variety of properties but mostly Condo land seeking to increase taxes during the development stage making the final product more expensive and making affordable housing an illusion
24.	accessibility for all, not having to go through a maze of phone calls to get a simple question answered, safe and affordable housing for those in need, increase in day care spaces and subsidy allotments, greater enforcement of laws/bylaws i.e. graffiti, idling vehicles, parking in cycle lanes, unauthorized vehicle in HOV/transit lanes, city politicians should keep to City politics not be endorsing federal or provincial politicians no matter what their long term aspirations are
25.	support for seniors to assist them to live in their homes longer / Bike paths and active transit routes / Affordable housing and more subsidized housing / More affordable daycare and increased day care subsidies and more spaces
26.	access to better mental health resources which would also clean up the homeless issue. there should be better housing for those who are mentally ill and cannot work. living on the streets should NEVER be an option. more jobs in this sector as well.
27.	Education/after school programs, bike lanes, affordable housing, less bickering in city hall--act like adults
28.	Affordable housing, particularly for low income peoples, near the City centre is becoming a pressing issue. Indeed, even middle class households are increasingly priced out of the market.
29.	Affordable housing
30.	I think the city should transform its public schools into community centres that provide education, health and meeting facilities for all ages. I also think the city should do more to help independent entrepreneurs establish their businesses. Finally, I think the government should pursue legislation that would mitigate the impact of foreign investors on housing prices. It is unfair that Toronto's middle-class must compete with rich foreign investors to afford adequate shelter; it's our city and we're being price out.
31.	public transportation / affordable housing / reducing poverty
32.	Access to housing, redevelopment and integration of housing projects.
33.	Lack of appropriate oversight on developers, their interests and a lack of staff qualified to make appropriate decisions in development approval regarding housing. Not enough legal resources and not enough engineering resources for staff to rely on in making developmental decisions. Fundamentally, not enough trained staff.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
34.	Investments in public transit, maintaining and expanding public housing, maintaining cultural programs, and funding of money-generating events such as Pride.
35.	- The city should review zoning bylaws in light of the fact that there is extreme pressure and need for affordable housing. Any barriers that exist for single-room rentals in all neighbourhoods should be relaxed. Zoning by-laws should be reassessed in the
36.	affordable housing and daycare subsidy
37.	Integration services for new immigrants; services for the poor, young, elderly, ill and injured; affordable housing; access to community and recreation centres for everyone across the city; clean and pot-hole free sidewalks and streets; waterfront development; maintenance of old, historic buildings by integrating them into new, controlled development.
38.	Lack of social housing / / Lack of rapid transit in much of the city / / Lack of democracy /
39.	Improving public transportation, funding services as libraries, sports facilities especially for youth and in poor neighbourhoods, mental health issues, concerns about the elderly, day care availability at affordable prices with subsidies as needed, social housing, parks available to everyone no matter how poor, help for immigrants
40.	Affordable public transit / no property taxes hike / affordable housing / access to community facilities / preservation of heritage building and building on the culture of the City /
41.	Lower taxes by getting rid of social handouts. Instead of social housing, maybe decrease to shelters? Give people an INCENTIVE to work for their living.
42.	It is important to address access and equity issues relating to vulnerable populations, especially new immigrants. Equitable and appropriate job opportunities need to be available to them. Social housing conditions needs to be addressed that will provide clean, accessible, and consistently maintained housing for low-income families.
43.	Affordable housing and poverty
44.	Lack of affordable, high quality child care (HUGE subsidy waiting list) / Poverty (it's no wonder with the cost of living in this city. Rent and the housing market are absurd)
45.	Fairness for everyone in the city. Example the discontinue of the down spouts on homes to be discontinued from draining into the city sewers. Homeowners had signed up for this program. This was on going for a few years and all had the chance to sign up. The areas of the city needing the work done sooner than other areas was scheduled first. When it was decided to stop this program, all the home owners who were on list and waiting for their turn should have been down. According to the new city government everything should be the same throughout the city. For this program it was being done. Homes in Scarborough were the last to be done. Since the program was scrubbed and the homeowners on the waiting list for their turns were left out. Was this fair, don't think so. People in Scarborough certainly were not treated fair.



	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
46.	Maintaining the Toronto Community Housing Corporation and preventing privatization of this institutions housing inventory.
47.	WE HAVE MANY SENIORS AND THE WORKING POOR WHO NEED SERVICES SUCH AS AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND GOOD PUBLIC TRANSIT. for EXAMPLE, IF YOU DON'T HAVE A CAR, YOU ARE IN TROUBLE IF YOU HAVE A SURGICAL/HOSPITAL APPOINTMENT AT 6:00 AM OR IF YOU HAVE A JOB STARTING AT 5:00 AM. / CHILDREN OF THE WORKING POOR ARE MORE LIKELY TO DO POORLY IN SCHOOL BECAUSE THEY OFTEN DON'T HAVE AN ADEQUATE BREAKFAST. I CAN GO ON.
48.	The city needs to ensure that the most vulnerable people in this city have access to affordable housing, clean shelters and community programming (fitness, children's programs, libraries, etc.). / / Public transportation is an important issue and should be well funded. The TTC service should be expanding.
49.	The threat to contract out work currently done by municipal employees. This should not occur. / / Attacks on autonomy of community organisations, such as TCHC. This is a threat to public engagement. / / Cuts to revenue have lead to the end of a surplus and a projected deficit.
50.	. I have HIV and other illnesses there fore I am on odsp and living at 275 bleecker st in t Toronto housing greenwin run building . I have had no heat for 34 months and no fridge for 25 months. The laundry is moldy and the sewer drain backs out on the floor. The elevators are always broken. No one cares about us. I called housing and greenwin over 2000 times. So privatization wont work. Please address.
51.	The city should not sell-off its affordable housing - similar actions have been disastrous across the continent.
52.	Privatization - . Housing - taking away social affordable housing and letting UNCOMPETANT housing agencies try to Service our residents the Service Agreements we have with our residents .. we have a Anti-Eviction Policy that assists the Poor and the Mentally Challenged individuals that reside in our Housing .. that go into arrears... we don't kick them to the CURB like the Private Sector does ... the Building at 200 Wellesley was run by a Private Sector Housing Agency ,, the building at Kingston Rd is another one that is always on the news WHY Because they have Individuals that cannot Manage the Buildings. TCHC Staff care about Our Tenants, 416 workers in TCHC buildings manage the buildings BETTER do a survey on the Private and the 416 buildings and you will find that the Majority of the residents want US 416 workers ,, the workers with compassion and Commitments that we Ensure .. Thank you for taking the time to read this and understand where I am coming from I have to tell you that I was a resident many years ago and OUR UNION THEN which was Local 767 gave the opportunity for women residents to work in Housing Buildings ... There are quite a few Women workers such as myself still servicing these Great People . we enjoy our jobs and do it with great pride. Please do not Privatize Thank you
53.	welfare is too low, housing is unaffordable, minimum wage is too low

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
54.	Toronto should not privatize services that are currently run by the city. For example, if you privatize the garbage collection, the city would have to sign a contract based on a minimum tonnage of garbage per month. This would sabotage conservation and redirection efforts as the city would have to pay a fine if the garbage tonnage was not met. Toronto should consider reviving the very well thought out transit city plan. Toronto should not sell off public housing. In general, for the modest savings or fees accrued, the selling off of public services is a bad idea because the city will lose control of these services!
55.	If you want to stop a gravy train and drain on resources know how many people living in the massive public housing portfolio abuse and take for granted the system. your going to spend millions on mould and bedbugs when in most cases it won't help as there is Zero, zilch, help, cooperation, effort, or responsibility expected or obtained from the occupant, how most like pays little rent, scams the system and has half a world of people living there not on the lease. / / at least check the cars in some of the parking lots in the morning. pretty sure if you have acuras, sport suv's might want to think twice about supplying all that persons and their water, heat and electricity. / / Old fashioned house keeping will go miles in resolving pest and mould issues. more so then new windows, transfers with no expectation on the occupant to do anything but say, try to sue us for it.
56.	Keeping all construction on schedule for the Pan Am games. Finding an affordable housing solution for the cities most vulnerable. Having a open and transparent city council that works for all Toronto residents, not just the supposed 'Ford Nation'.
57.	I do not think garbage should be privatized. I think the ombudsman's office should get the increase in budget it requested. I think TCHC should not be privatized. I am ok with them selling off the single housing units, but projects like Regent Park must continue as planned and there should be no voucher or other system that would put TCHC out of the business of providing affordable housing for vulnerable populations.
58.	The questions asked in the survey seemed so broad as to be meaningless. Anyway, other issues: 1. End homelessness as much as possible. People should be able to have enough to eat every day and a place to stay without the need to beg and sleep on the street. 2. Instead of the police unaccountability, lawlessness, violence and dishonesty we saw on display on the G20 weekend Toronto needs accountable policing respecting people's rights and with police officers doing their job (like serving and protecting peaceful citizens and stopping vandals, unlike on the G20 weekend). I don't think this is going to happen under Ford and it did not happen under Miller either. 3. No gravy train for the police. 4. Creating more housing that is affordable for ordinary people and for poor people.
59.	Better transit; community programs and outreach; focus on housing not 'graffiti'

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
60.	Increase funding or ensure there is no cuts to existing social services funding and ensuring the needs of the most vulnerable populations are met (e.g. people living with HIV, people with substance use issues, street and homeless populations) / Follow through with the original Transit City Plan. / Build more affordable public housing and greatly improve on services and operation of the TCHC. / Revitalize the waterfront. / Ensure the police force have an accountable process when their members abuse their powers.
61.	affordable housing, ability to vote for non-citizen residents, TTC, waterfront for public space, grants to community services, Diversity, Access, Equity
62.	Making sure that Toronto Housing gets a real board - one that's democratic and not just a single person who wasn't selected by the constituents
63.	Affordability of public transit; bike lanes; affordable housing - especially in downtown core; resources and services for vulnerable groups like new immigrants
64.	Public housing is a disgrace and more PPP projects like Regent Park should be fostered. More public green space please! And don't privatize Animal Services - capture, wildlife management, emergency services and adoption are part of public trust.
65.	assure all neighbourhoods have equal access to affordable housing, public transit and services including groceries, parks, health care and healthy schools.
66.	Housing. homeless people, programs for youth
67.	Affordable and safe housing and accessibility to nutritious and culturally appropriate food
68.	affordable housing / settlement services for newcomers
69.	Affordable housing
70.	Affordable Housing / Equitable Wages for everyone / Not selling off the City's Assets /
71.	The city should be taxing residents at a level needed to maintain PUBLIC services, to alleviate poverty and provide social housing, to support cultural and other non-profit organizations, and to develop an adequate transit system. Tax cuts or freezes are NOT important as they prevent us from doing the things the city needs.
72.	I think that taxes should be around the environment, for example: people with cars should be paying more taxes. The city should not be wasting money on destroying programs that were already on the way like it happened with the TTC. It also should not privatize services like waste collection while paying even more to police. Privatizing services is not the way to go, making our services more efficient is! / It would be helpful to get a list of what services the city is offering, how much is spent on each one of them and which one is the city planning to axe. / Having affordable housing will solve many problems - also, since co-ops in the city are coming to an end of their agreement, people who were living there on Rent Geared to Income are going to be looking for solutions. /
73.	Education, housing, health

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
74.	I think all of the councillors should take a crash-course in urban planning - understanding how post-industrial cities survive and grow. It seems like the direction we are moving towards is weakening community, undermining the necessity of the creative class to grow Toronto's economy, local food issues, preserving and increasing green spaces, balancing gentrification of the downtown core with affordable housing, welcoming immigrants because at our current birth rate we cannot support a growing city. Etc.
75.	Access to public housing or coop housing is very important. We can't have people living on our streets and need opportunities for people to transition into and also get out of public housing.
76.	homelessness, social supports, affordable housing
77.	Affordable housing
78.	Affordable and accessible childcare and housing. / Affordable and accessible transportation.
79.	There are far too many condominium developments being built much too quickly with no real thought as to how this will affect the landscape. All the trees get cut down, streets turn into "wind tunnels" ,charming historic neighbourhoods are ruined by gaudy eyesores and the skyline is blotted out. Why is the city not building more affordable rental housing instead of allowing greedy developers to stick overpriced 'luxury' condos wherever they want?
80.	In this era of austerity, social cutbacks are my biggest concern in Toronto. Community organizations like OCAP, fighting for the "special diet", specifically, as well as housing and the need for shelter space are not being listened to by local government. These issues are so important! Our lives are becoming ever more policed, including police being allowed access to shelters to deport at-risk migrant women. Our tax dollars are taken from what could be REAL improvements to transit, infrastructure, and the lives of people in this city; instead, in the next five years (with the PanAm games) I foresee another G20 on our hands--communities under attack, a ballooning police budget, tax dollars mismanaged and we, the people that live here, footing the bill while big business profits.
81.	Transit / Affordable Housing
82.	The city needs to look at ways to reduce the cost of government. The push to progressively contract out garbage collection is encouraging; however, similar initiatives should be considered in respect of other services that the city currently provides through public sector unions such as the outside workers. Likewise, the City should look at divesting itself of assets, including Toronto Hydro and the Toronto Community Housing Corporation in favour of private provision of these services.
83.	Affordable social housing; support for arts and culture, especially in poor neighbourhoods; working with neighbourhood and business associations to build civic pride, participation and use of open spaces for recreation and local activities (fairs, markets, sports, gardens, etc.); supporting cross-city public transportation corridors, bike paths, and reduced gridlock.

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84.	I'm concerned about turning over the TCHC to a private body that is supposed to look after the well-being of residents who are vulnerable to so many issues: poverty, bedbugs, intruders, violence in the neighbourhood.
85.	Waterfront project, mixed income housing
86.	Funding from senior levels of government and private/public partnerships to address the quality and quantity of affordable housing
87.	<p>/ 1) Subways!! It is completely short-sighted to think that any other form of an above-ground mass rail transit will be an optimal long-term investment for our city. There is no way around it, it's common knowledge, we need more subways downtown - get rid of the ARCHAIC street cars that a) require millions to upkeep the tracks b) have streetcar drivers constantly getting out of their streetcars to fix the tracks manually (are we in the 19th century here?) while cars sit idle in the streets c) effect driver commutes to be one of the LONGEST in North America d) Contribute to billions of dollars in job/productivity loss for our city- see Professor Richard Florida's / / 2)Implementation Technologies for Subway Additions &amp; Downtown Relief – I know street cars are commonly understood as 'horrible to implement' but that is just not the case with modern technologies used all over Europe. Do us all a favour and use some LONG-TERM investment, planning, and foresight that has eluded this city - there are technologies used in Vienna, Austria that minimizes the impact of subway implementation (only taking up a couple meters of road space at a time doing it in sections) - we need an East/West one, King St. or Queen St. to start. I wouldn't let an ounce of Transit City and that 'political' contract near our city. Let's make an unbiased, optimal, long-term decision for our infrastructure. I would even go so far as to plan to bury the above ground Go-Train tracks that take up valuable real estate. Think of what we could do with all that land!! And, as far as subway's environmentally friendliness....reference Singapore's subway transit, MRT. / / 3) Garbage - Toronto used to be known as a 'clean city' but when garbage is piled in the middle of our sidewalks 2 to 3 times per week, and I'm walking by rat infested garbage piles (and I'm not just referring to China Town), there is an issue. We are not a 3rd world nation here. This is a lazy, lowest-denominator approach to garbage pick-up. If our people want to be proud of their city, it won't kill everyone to put in a little effort. Idea:</p>
88.	affordable housing, stopping privatization, treating everyone respectfully, reinstating vehicle registration tax.
89.	Road Conditions, Community Services, Poverty, Housing
90.	Housing conditions in rented apartments / Taking action towards rodent free housing
91.	Toronto Public Health Services / Transit / Public Housing / Shelters and Homeless Programs / HIV/AIDS, STI/STD Prevention Programs /

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92.	The care of citizens at the beginning and end of life (early childhood- from child care to social services providing programming; supports for older adults facing isolation, poverty etc.). / A transit system that works for all neighbourhoods of Toronto (not just the downtown core). Better and more efficient public transit would also positively affect the traffic issues that plague the city. Good transit options (light rail transit, subway etc) for neighbourhoods outside of the downtown core. / Having a public housing system that works well for tenants (safe, affordable).
93.	affordable housing
94.	green space, public housing, bicycle paths
95.	Implementing Transit City. Maintaining publicly funded garbage collection. Cutting the wages of city police, the mayor, and other bureaucrats and putting that money into affordable housing and services for the poor. Raising the taxes of everyone whose yearly income is over \$100,000.
96.	There is a lack of affordable housing in Toronto. Rent keeps on increasing while wages do not. Social assistance payments are not enough to cover the basic needs of Torontonians. After paying their rent, low income individuals do not have enough money to ensure a decent quality of life. Cuts to social services are exacerbating this problem. Something needs to be done to protect low income individuals and allow them to have a better quality of life.
97.	Services, healthcare, childcare, housing, etc for low income and vulnerable populations, individuals, families.
98.	Affordable Housing
99.	Affordable housing for all, food security, recreation/after school programs for youth, tax breaks for people living in poverty, financial assistance for people living in poverty
100.	Shelters and housing for the homeless, for children of the street, and for those with no other options
101.	Housing for at-risk citizens, services for youth, affordable regulated day care spaces, road repair and maintenance, property taxes for downtown, and services provided from them, transit, crime, transparency of government, support of small business, architecture and preserving of heritage buildings and areas
102.	Housing - the lack of affordable and adequate housing for people in the city; especially for low income earners. People living in horribly maintained THTC buildings and other dwelling places should not have to endure such conditions (i.e.) cock roaches, bed bugs, peeling paint, out of service elevators, etc.... / / TTC - lack of proper subway and surface route system. Infrastructure was mentioned on the previous page; however, TTC was not clearly identified. /
103.	Housing and Homelessness

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104.	Increase the investment on educating the underserved population and their children, so that next generation can stand on their feet and shoulder the responsibility of taking care of growing number of elderly. PLEASE STOP EXPANDING POLICE FORCE which is nothing but burden. INVEST IN CHILDREN who is future of Canada and Future of Toronto. Invest In AFFORDABLE HOUSING, INCREASE THE MINIMUM WAGES so that people can lead a meaningful life.
105.	Making sure that there is enough money from the federal government to support needed programs for newcomers i.e. settlement, housing, employment support, mentoring to help them integrate successfully. Also employment support programs i.e.. grants for youth not able to find work so they can set up self generating employment like the old Opportunities for Youth grants
106.	Toronto should support programs for young low-income fathers who are trying to find employment. By helping young men secure sufficient employment (i.e., a job that pays enough for him to support his family), the city can improve long-term health and social well-being since children in these households will not be exposed to disadvantaged conditions for a prolonged period of time. The more children are exposed to disadvantaged conditions (crime, hunger, inadequate housing), the poorer will be their health outcomes.
107.	affordable housing / infrastructure in a state of good repair / respect for diversity
108.	The city needs to build and provide more affordable housing along with affordable housing for seniors and low income citizens. / The city needs to make sure that Parks and Recreation keep low to no user fees so that those of low income can enjoy Toronto. / The city needs to provide more and updated public transit that connects all the suburbs with the downtown. This will encourage more people to get out of their cars therefore translating into a cleaner city. / The city needs to make sure the waterfront stays a public space. / The city needs to do more to protect it's historic buildings and areas. / The city needs to place restrictions on condo development which has gotten out of control.
109.	Keep public housing, don't privatize garbage, or other city services
110.	Social and Cooperative housing support; Recreation and community services (community centres, pools, libraries, child and teen programming).
111.	1) Efficient, affordable, extensive, and expanding public transportation as well as safe, extensive, expanding cycling lanes. / 2) Affordable public housing for all who need housing.
112.	AFFORDABLE housing, AFFORDABLE daycare, crucial services for vulnerable populations (homeless youth, battered women, etc.).

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113.	I believe that housing that is affordable and up to code is an issue for people living in shelter and trying to find housing to move into. Currently I work in the toronto shelter housing system and find that most families are unwilling to move out into the community because the shelter they reside in is in better condition than housing in the community. / / I also feel there is not enough responsibility put on landlords to maintain their property. The landlord tenant board. As of late I have had to call the landlord tenant board regarding issues with landlords and their response has been "Don't pay your rent". People are now being forced to live in horrible conditions because they feel they have no place to go.
114.	access to social services for the poor, social housing
115.	*note* re: safety and security from previous fields: I do not wish to see extensive money poured into police services. Ensuring adequate housing, recreational programming and city infrastructure, along with improved community services/social workers/community centres/ supports in schools etc... will address many problems in ways that the police are unable to.
116.	Transportation / Child Care / Infrastructure/Roads / Garbage Collection - as a public service / Services to the vulnerable / Affordable Housing / Income Supports /
117.	Horrible abuse of public housing services by criminals. Horrible management of city housing altogether. Sell the 10 waterfront social housing properties and use the money to buy 20 or 30 economical properties.
118.	Improving existing community housing and creating more accessible housing for vulnerable population. / / Early intervention and children's mental health services
119.	Affordable housing in the central city
120.	Affordable housing, re-training for street people to get them back into the workforce. Community services and social services for poor people.
121.	Poverty and the lack of affordable housing. Access to public services and community programs and supports.
122.	Lack of affordable housing and lack of support for vulnerable tenants.
123.	Price of housing downtown
124.	Public Housing, Garbage Collection
125.	Daycare, more green space/parks, community centres, subsidized housing, and FAIR rental rates (better tenant's rights) / / (also the TTC should have much more flexible pay options -- such as a 7 day unlimited pass *applicable from the day you buy it, versus Monday-sun). just like NY transit --> which is by far superior.
126.	when you say fair taxes, to me that means taxing the most wealthy. I don't agree with the trickle down theory. The poorest always suffer, the statistics on the income gap are appalling. Small business owners need a tax break, and the minimum wage should be increased. Housing is too expensive. A healthy city is a livable city for all, not just a playground for the wealthy.



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127.	Keep our swimming pools free / Do not cut Parks and Recreation budget as this is one of the cheapest ways to provide access to a liveable city / Encourage and support neighbourhood groups, especially those involved in park/street activities / Do not cut TTC bus service - I am already hearing about people who have to leave activities early (7:30 pm) in order to catch the last bus home! / Do not privatize essential services - such efforts have been a disaster in many other jurisdictions and times / Clean up and beautify our main streets - good for tourism! / Provide public washroom facilities throughout downtown core; where not feasible, do what Niagara Falls does and negotiate with private stores/restaurants / More drinking fountains and city benches - the population is getting older! / Quit using residential streets as a cash cow - residents should not have the stress of rotating cars to either side every two weeks with a city enforcement officer licking his chops at 9:05 am. on the day of. This is not respectful of citizens, and many times is actually unsafe, given the numbers of small children left alone while parent moves the car! Put these officers to better use on the main streets at rush hour! / Instead of police issuing tickets to homeless people begging outside of stores, who will never have the means to pay the fine and instead clog the courts and increase court costs, have police report these people instead to social agencies and make these agencies accountable in following up on these leads and providing suitable housing and assistance.
128.	The City needs to devote more resources to affordable housing and meeting the needs of poor and vulnerable Torontonians.
129.	Homelessness-- lack of affordable housing
130.	Affordable, supportive Housing / Re-investing in the arts / Taxes are not "the enemy" ...they pay for our social supports and infrastructures
131.	Keeping prices for rental housing affordable and keeping the standard of housing high. Things are also impossible in the city for single-income families. The cost of living in Toronto needs to be more reasonable for middle to low income people.
132.	Affordable Housing, affordable childcare spaces, affordable long-term housing for Seniors, support for Seniors in the community, recreation and community support for youth.
133.	Affordable housing for all citizens.
134.	Using abandoned industrial buildings for mixed-income housing units. / Disparities in income - see David Hulchaski's 'Three Cities Within Toronto' Report. / Reduced crime rates while, paradoxically, police get an increase in funding as other city services face cuts. / Business lobbyists using straitened circumstances of households and misinformation about public sector workers salaries to gain support for cuts to taxes and public spending, leading to increased costs for households as public services are cut and downward pressure on wages—an ongoing downward vicious cycle in the standard of living.
135.	Public transit. Intelligent planning. Intensification. Strict review for development proposals, especially housing.

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136.	Support for the growing numbers of people in poverty - better transport, daycare, housing and financial assistance all help many of these people to get back into the workforce. / The city should not focus on cost cutting and should focus more on long term planning and maintenance - other wise our city will deteriorate.
137.	Housing and care for the mentally ill, / Better screening process for children needing assistance at school
138.	1. Supporting unionized workers and higher wages helps the entire city economy. The City should support unions and work with them. / 2. Planning, streetscape, condos and public space. / 3. Social housing. /
139.	affordable housing
140.	More deeply affordable housing for those that need it. More services for our most vulnerable.
141.	accessible and affordable TTC or transit systems that are environmentally focused and friendly / funding for youth / improved living conditions in TCHC / affordable housing and poverty /
142.	Expend TTC, make it more affordable. / Reduce child care fee. / More affordable housing and recreational programs. / Reduce police funding
143.	HOUSING /
144.	Health Care: Subsidized housing - Accessible housing.
145.	The waiting lists for subsidized housing and just plain affordable housing or lack of it.
146.	Community housing - making sure everybody can enjoy a reasonable standard of living. Also, bike lanes and TTC. Affordable and sustainable forms of transportation should be encouraged - this kind of infrastructure will actually HELP reduce traffic. Arts and culture funding is also important - Toronto has a lot to offer culturally, and we need to celebrate what this world-class city has to offer.
147.	Affordable and convenient public transit, childcare, affordable housing.
148.	Public housing shortage to be addressed, affordable housing for seniors, expanded internet and library services, a varied transit network (streetcars, transit (not just recreational) street cycling, buses, light rail, not just the subway), implementing urban permaculture initiatives, addressing pollution.
149.	We need a good affordable housing plan
150.	Biking infrastructure, social housing & social services
151.	As long as you consider housing to be meeting basic needs and public transit part of transportation and infrastructure, no.
152.	Affordable housing and supports for vulnerable populations; pollution emissions; public parks;
153.	Lack of Affordability (particularly in terms of rent and housing prices) / / Toronto is a really ugly with a lot of horrible architecture
154.	Property Taxes should only pay for City mandatory services, not addressing the social housing, poverty issues, as these are Provincial responsibilities.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
155.	When I wrote to my city councillor about addressing the traffic issues, his response was that a lot of traffic was the sign of a healthy city. The reality is that transit doesn't go where we need it to go, doesn't get there fast enough, and costs too much. All of these things are solved by driving a car, which goes where we need it to go, is much faster, and much cheaper. However, since this is the case we have way too many cars on the road, and the city's response is to further restrict that traffic by putting in bike lanes for the minority of the people of the city, making HOV lanes which are unused, and not providing any police based traffic services. If you continue to strain the infrastructure in such a way, the city will inevitably cease to function, people will move, you will lose tax revenue, and the housing market will fail. Therefore, I think this issue above all others is the most important one for the current administration to address.
156.	Arenas - need more hockey arenas, need arenas updated / Transportation - make the flow of public transit, cars and bikes better / Finances - property taxes have increased 130% in 11 years. You cannot keep increasing the amount people pay. / Wasted money in programs - don't just consider cutting certain budgets by 5 or 10%. Consider getting rid of a number of committees and programs. / Sell Assets - not just public housing but consider selling TTC. If people worry that service will fall off on certain routes, then add a provision to pay extra for certain routes if required. / Be Bold - think about turning Gardner expressway into tunnel and pay for it by selling land above to developers to create high rises and parks.
157.	The provision of good quality affordable housing and transit.
158.	2 year waiting list for subsidized daycare
159.	Culture and Sport are not one issue. Stop all funding of professional sport and fund amateur sports facilities. Fund non-profit arts and culture sector not businesses. Divert car transport to public transport. Zone to protect heritage, environment and arts facilities. Provide more health services and housing to the disabled and poor. Hire 2x more Wheeltrans dispatchers. Return all of the dedicated funds for maintenance of environmental and legacy projects. Read Chicago's Global Warming report and plan for a future.
160.	Affordable child care, differences in neighbourhoods based on income (gaps between rich and poor. Rising cost of housing in the city.
161.	Lack of affordable housing
162.	Bike Lanes; / Subway; / Rising costs of Unions; / Housing Costs; / Education Quality; / Poverty;
163.	Affordable housing for students / Affordable housing for all people / Affordable transportation / Accessible transportation - for seniors, people with disabilities, for people carrying luggage, etc - it is absolutely unacceptable that not all TTC subway stations are accessible. What a disgrace Toronto.
164.	Reduce the wait-list for affordable housing and child care.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
165.	The city should abandon its fixation on cutting services and increase taxes to a level that allows the provision of the services we have now. It should tailor spending and other policies for the most effective result for the city rather than be held hostage by outrage generated by the media. For example, if an entity such as public housing chooses to spend \$50 or \$60 per attendee for a morale-boosting holiday event, and it is believed by management that it results in a benefit to productivity then not only should it be allowed, city hall should support and defend the practice.
166.	Moving all subsidised housing to Scarborough. / Eliminating every instance of culturally or racially specific funding across the board. / Ignoring the Queen West cause head types and their bike lane stupidity. / Reducing taxes.
167.	Child poverty! Lack of affordable housing!!!
168.	Transit. Housing in close proximity to a subway line is rapidly becoming more expensive, mostly because Bus and Streetcar service is painfully slow. (I don't mean they come too infrequently, I mean they move at a crawl and it takes forever to get you across town) The city needs to either greatly expand it's subway network, or find some way to make bus and streetcar travel much faster. Most people in Toronto cannot afford to live along the subway, and for them commuting is miserable and consumes far too many of their leisure hours.
169.	accessible and equitable public transit, general public health, a stable local economy with opportunities for new and existing business to locate within our boundaries, school and library programs to occupy children and teens especially "youth at risk", affordable housing opportunities including affordable home ownership
170.	Retaining assets (such as real estate used for community housing) - selling off assets is a one-time, short-term solution to a long-term, multi-year problem. Big mistake.
171.	I'm 65 years old. From what I can see out my windows every day, bikes make sense and cars don't. Cyclists know their route and the neighbourhoods they traverse (that includes cops-on-bikes -- a welcome sight because they inevitably observe and interact with people). But people in cars just can't WAIT to get somewhere else. Call me a cycling advocate who couldn't ride a bike to save my life. The more encouragement Toronto gives to cycling, the better -- in my view. / / I'm also distressed by the extent to which advertising has taken over my city: billboards, adverts on sidewalks, the clutter of ads on the TTC (which render vehicles ugly and unrecognizable, and which make the subway entirely confusing). Yes, I understand that there's money to be made through commercials. But I think Toronto ought to be better than that. It certainly was, in the past. / / I think Toronto ought to have way, way more affordable housing -- public housing!. In my neighbourhood, modest homes get snatched up by "investors" who turn places average people can afford into trophy homes. AND there's a, to me, terrifying trend to house growing families in high-rises and condos (it's what folks can afford). No high-rise or condo on this planet can match a real neighbourhood for bring up kids. Public housing makes economic sense, too: ask Swedes or Germans or Danes. / / supporting pride. I attend the events because they're a hoot and a holler, and fun, and funny. / / / /

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
172.	Adequate funding for inner city schools in high risk neighbourhoods / Bring in accountable community housing management, with investment in infrastructure a priority
173.	Affordable housing, transit
174.	KEEP PUBLIC SERVICES PUBLIC!! NO CONTRACTING OUT OF GARBAGE ETC!! AFFORDABLE housing AND CHILD CARE!!
175.	We need to consider how the city will prepare for climate change -- this for example, will have a profound impact on heat, and therefore heat stress and employment, children, recreation, housing, and seniors. / We should reduce vehicular use in the downtown as this will help reduce emissions and help reduce the greenhouse effect within the city, and the urban heat island.
176.	There are many many other important city-wide issues that must be considered such as planning for growing neighbourhoods as well as supports for high risk neighbourhoods, adequate housing for homeless persons, animal services, community policing, community health, and so on.
177.	housing, support for immigrants, libraries
178.	People of toronto need investment in infrastructure and social issues. Libraries, city services, seniors' issues, mental health and addictions, financial literacy, supportive housing and childcare are crucial.
179.	Lack of affordable housing, which has implications from the most vulnerable in the city who are stuck in shelters for the long term instead of as a temporary measure right through to young families trying to get a start who can't afford to live in the core. The lack of transit servicing the outer margins of the city make this even more difficult and lead to a reliance on cars for transit which leads to long commute times and burnout. Cancelling transit city was, to me, a disgrace as it wasn't replaced with a long term vision to address the city's transit needs across the City of Toronto (not just one subway line). New condo developments should have requirements for rent - geared to income for a certain number of units like many other major cities in the world. Urban planning needs also to address the mounting health crisis in the city - make the city a space where walking is desirable to increase physical activity and access to healthy, nutritious food is easy.
180.	Support for immigrants; affordable housing and attention to rampant overdevelopment; creating people-friendly public spaces and developing the waterfront for people (not cars).
181.	Affordable housing -- we need more spaces in the city for the most vulnerable. Services are being eroded and it feels like we have a mayor who can only see the future as a term in office. Long term planning takes time.
182.	housing is absolutely key -- subsidies are needed and rents need to be controlled. / Child care spaces -- affordable and available for many more parents
183.	Complete streets - pedestrian, transit, cyclists and cars / Progressive city that is inclusive and welcoming / Green Spaces - parks, community gardens, farmer's markets / Affordable Housing - not just for low-income for moderate income as well

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184.	keep public spaces going (parks and recreation), affordable housing.
185.	affordable mixed housing for everyone so not to create ghettos or have a ghost downtown / affordable public transit that actually works for all including those in the suburbs
186.	Homelessness and affordable housing for the poor are the most important as well as the environment. The city needs to put more money into these things.
187.	reduce police power / increase funding to Live Green Toronto / increase participatory government (e.g. well advertised regular townhalls, referenda) / improve quality of social housing stock and maintain or increase number of units
188.	Addressing discrimination in job and housing markets and school
189.	I think the City needs to stop contracting out services like garbage pick up. I have absolutely no complaints regarding this and the individuals that service my neighbourhood are fabulous and do more than they are required to do. / I also believe that the city should not sell off any TCHC properties. Selling them off is a short term solution that will be negative in the long run when housing is so desperately needed, just like childcare. / / I am also not sure that more transit is needed, just fixing what there is would be a good start. I love taking the streetcars (buses make me nauseous and want to vomit), but someone needs to regulate them so they are regular and not sporadic like they are now.
190.	public transportation: funding for light rapid transit expansion; more bicycle infrastructure / social programs: funding for community housing
191.	Selling off of TCHC properties with no or partial replacement of affordable public housing; Subways are far more expensive to build than light rail and light rail does not equal a "war on the car"; importance of continuing to fund programs in Priority Neighbourhoods; making SAFE shelters available to vulnerable populations
192.	TTC, liveability, housing, bylaw inspectors and enforcement, democracy.
193.	Affordable housing / Accessible and affordable public transit system / Bike and pedestrian path/ route improvements
194.	housing the homeless, allocating money to prevention medicine, recognizing education from abroad
195.	Food security - access to healthy, nutritious and affordable food; housing security - access to safe, affordable and functional housing...

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
196.	Since moving to Toronto 4 years ago, and after having visited Toronto over the last decade, I am astounded at the LACK of progress in transportation for the city overall. Yes, certain gains have been made in street car renewal, but in 30 years no expansion has happened in subways, light rail, or implementation in designated no car roads where transit and pedestrian traffic would be the only methods (for example why not look at turning Queen Street through the core as a Street car / bus / bike only thoroughfare and make King with no street cars to alleviate backlogs of cars behind street cars and vice versa). Additional routes for mass transit for GO on the DVP through a designated mass transit lane would be a huge gain as well although I am not a user of the GO services. Housing quality in the city core outside of new condo towers is quite abysmal in my opinion. Major areas of old Toronto, contain buildings rented out by absentee landlords who live outside the city that they benefit financially from, but make the bare investments necessary to provide a liveable space.
197.	Protect public housing
198.	We need to stop moaning about how much tax we're paying and accept that necessary services aren't free -- those of us who can afford it have a RESPONSIBILITY to help fund things like transit, libraries, anti-bullying programs, school breakfast programs, affordable housing, etc., because in the end WE ALL BENEFIT!
199.	Affordable housing. There needs to be much more made available to the most vulnerable / Above-ground light rapid transit. We need this very badly Subways are too expensive.
200.	Looking after the needs of Seniors (housing, prescription, medicine, personal care, transportation, etc. / Also, paying attention to seniors in Nursing homes.
201.	More affordable housing!
202.	Excessive permissions for deviations from the City Plan, thus leading to demolition of existing moderate cost housing and replacement with expensive to own or rent high-rises. / Preservation of green space and a green publicly accessible waterfront / A requirement that all new housing contain a certain percentage of rental and low-income units to preserve a mixed income demographic in the city.
203.	public transit / social services / waste services / child care / poverty/affordable housing
204.	Consistent and thought out development plan for new housing construction, particularly condos - and how the density in new areas are overburdening existing infrastructure without the requirement for developers to contribute to infrastructure improvement. The developer plans need to include more contributions to infrastructure, parks, transit and other services the new residents use.

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205.	Low to no user fees for public recreational programs in parks and schools, e.g. swimming, summer camps, winter sports and cultural activities etc for children and adults. Full support and expansion of public libraries -they are the hub of our communities. Community gardens. Bike lanes throughout the city. Road tolls to reduce pollution and encourage the use of public transit. MUCH more affordable housing. Increased educational and social support for immigrants
206.	Affordable housing. Poverty. Joblessness.
207.	Affordable housing / Green bin program for apartments and condos
208.	Affordable housing, transit planning, ensuring services are not cut, lobbying federal and provincial governments for city building initiatives and citizen engagement
209.	lack of public transit, failure to prioritize transit, the general ugliness and low urban design quality of the city, the need for better architecture, the need for more creativity with respect to city life, the lack of affordable housing, maintaining the urban tree canopy, enforcement of rental property building standards, preservation of historic buildings
210.	Affordable transit network like transit city or even better. More housing density that is affordable. More housing based on co-op model. Make solar and wind and green roofs more affordable and available to homeowners.
211.	1) We need to use tax money to fund education, transportation, housing and health care. / 2) The way that tax money is spent should be made completely transparent.
212.	Affordable Housing
213.	Homelessness, affordable housing, gridlock, and public transit
214.	There are too many problems in Toronto to list here, but I think it all boils down to inadequate social services. I do not think that people should be rewarded for poor performance, but governments need to help disadvantaged people get back on their feet. That includes providing more jobs, more affordable housing, and social assistance to those that fall through the cracks in the system.
215.	Affordable housing, affordable and full day daycares, youth engagement
216.	Infrastructure support is so important like having the subway to the airport and York University. Also, affordable housing with condo builds that are creating neighbourhoods. Our waterfront is a disaster. I want our Mayor to be interested in building a healthy livable city.
217.	Housing



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218.	Services and programs for the most vulnerable: homeless, handicapped, elderly, unemployed, troubled youth. / Affordable housing / Programs to promote altruism and recognize volunteers and non-profit organizations working to provide programs and opportunities in our communities. / A Massive input of cash to rebuilding the infrastructure (roads, sewers, parks etc.) / A look at governance with an eye to decreasing the number of elected officials and upper management personnel. / A commitment to improve community centers and programs and a renewed commitment to make these services known and readily available to the citizens at an attractive and affordable fee. / A commitment to the arts at all levels - for these speak to the very soul of a community and make it caring, noble and collegial.
219.	Affordable child care spaces, housing, transit
220.	Building affordable housing and low income housing, shelters, increasing the quality and quantity of social services for women and children, bridging the increasing gap between rich and poor, addressing the problem of pollution in the city with better transit services and more bike lanes.
221.	Social housing for poor communities
222.	- Revitalization of ALL City-owned housing / - Better service and care of Parks properties / - More co-operative work with non-profits = better spent dollars, something Conservatives NEVER think about! / (I have over 10 years of Board/Executive and staff
223.	Affordable housing, it is unbelievable the amount of time a person has to wait to get into a place they can actually afford!
224.	1. Meaningful engagement of residents in decisions that affect them. / -Ensuring that opportunities to participate are accessible to all residents, regardless of age, literacy, languages spoken, ability and geography. / / 2. Good governance. / -So that the best interests of the public are served, city decision-makers should ensure that their decisions are ALWAYS informed decisions that are based on good, current research, broad and inclusive consultation with the public and other stakeholders, and a careful consideration of the implications of the decision on the quality of life for all of Toronto's residents. The process of becoming informed should be open and transparent, where residents are able to gather and hear each other's points of view -not a behind-closed-doors secretive process. Careful attention should be paid to avoiding conflicts of interest and other unethical behaviour. / / 3. Affordable housing. / -There are 78,604 households in need of an affordable place to live in Toronto. What is the city going to do to make sure that its residents can find affordable places to live? / / 4. Poverty. / Statistics Canada reports that 1 in 10 Canadians are living in poverty. What is the City going to do to address the needs of its residents who are currently living in poverty and what is it going to do to ensure that the number of people living in poverty is reduced? / / 5. Universal/equitable access to city services and public goods. / / / / 6.
225.	<b>PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING AND EARLY CHILD EDUCATION</b>
226.	Housing, TTC

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
227.	Affordable housing, arts funding
228.	invest in renewable energy / urban farming/access to affordable food / affordable quality housing / lack of public places
229.	Lack of affordable housing, homelessness, child poverty, inadequate income for many, inadequate pensions, dental and eyecare
230.	Housing, transit
231.	Coordination with other municipalities / Creating an culture of inclusion / Affordable housing
232.	Loss of the middle class as housing becomes out of reach for families
233.	Building new affordable housing for low income families, or subsidizing people's rent in a market rent community. /
234.	Sovereignty from the federal government. Waterfront redevelopment. Better public transportation. Keep Toronto Housing
235.	Ensuring that ALL members of the city have adequate access to housing, healthy food, affordable transport, secure streetspaces. We are a diverse population. We have diverse needs. These are on a spectrum. Do not pit us against each other. e.g. Do not pit the car owner like my neighbour against me - a non car owner who only uses public transit. Do not pit me a house owner against my friend who loves in subsidised housing. We all count. These are not binary decisions. We all count and we all have a right and a desire to participate. Do not pit the different areas of Toronto against each other.
236.	healthy and clean air, water, land. / affordable housing, / low tax / policing (paying too much) /
237.	Public Health and Community Housing.
238.	Developing public transit further and ensuring that there is sufficient affordable housing in the downtown core.
239.	accessibility for people with all forms of disability / affordable housing strategy /
240.	A first class city has safe dedicated walking and bike trails, sports and exercise facilities for all ages, large areas of natural green space, more and more trees especially in all streets, shrubs and flower meadows, museums and art galleries, public transit for all, well funded public schooling for all, libraries, public health and well planned public housing Such a city needs policies and long term planning and stop relying on the unelected OMB as a thoughtless planning tool. Don't forget to build the originally planned bridge in Fort York. With any luck a lot of people will come to Toronto for the Pan Am games, as well as Torontonians visitors should be treated to a fine and interesting city with evidence of art, culture and architecture.
241.	The lack of accessibility to city services is a problem. There should be functioning elevators at all TTC stations. Housing must be affordable for the most vulnerable. Low income housing must be properly maintained.
242.	Affordable Housing for everyone. / affordable transportation

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
243.	poverty and housing. In particular the lack of availability of affordable housing for poor and moderate income people. There also need to be controls on slum landlords. Secondly a sustainable and affordable transit system is particularly important to the more marginalized communities as well as for the environment. Access to the waterfront with free availability of watersport activities, incl. swimming is very important. That requires controls to stop polluting the lake water. I also wish for a more reasonable way to handle bicycle traffic with separated bicycle lanes and exemptions for bicycles in traffic calming zones so they can roll through stop signs and ride on one-way streets the opposite directions where feasible. Overall I wish to protest the mayors choice to build a subway in lieu of honouring the previous transit agreements. I disagree with any cuts to services in favour of cutting land transfer taxes or vehicle registration taxes. In fact I would welcome a tax on vehicles entering the city core.
244.	Affordable housing and expansion of licensed day-care
245.	provision of affordable housing
246.	Access to services - affordable housing, childcare, parks/recreation, transit, infrastructure
247.	Affordable Housing / Effective Police oversight/changing culture of police secrecy and abuse / Settling native land claims and grievances / Food security / bicycle safety and lanes
248.	housing as part of all of this
249.	Administrative overhead of key service ( police, fire, emergency MS) / Overlapping services already provided by other levels of government / City of Toronto should not be a landlord-privatize TCHC provision of housing
250.	remove costly programs such as public or affordable housing - transfer to Provincial or Fed / remove provincial courts, city run jails, to Provincial or Feds / Remove TTC - amalgamate it with Provincial GO System / Sell-off Metro Zoo Land, CNE Land, Toronto Parking Authority property / re-organize essential services such as police, fire, ems and health dept, amalgamate EMS with health / Amalgamate permits and licensing of food, bars, and massage parlours under health dept
251.	Increase homecare for the elderly to 4 hrs per day / Affordable clean public housing for those in need / Put a cap on how much the private sector can make as CEOs etc. / Increase funding to food banks so on one goes hungry
252.	Shelter, support and housing for homeless and low-income people, care related to children, senior citizens and vulnerable people are some of the issues one cannot compromise on.
253.	garbage should remain every week pick / city should provide bins and compost bags free to all residents / affordable housing for the poor / councillors should drive themselves and not be chauffeured around

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
254.	Minimum wage should go to a living wage yearly / Garbage should be picked up every week that is why there is so many bed bugs infestations etc / Affordable housing for poor people / Councillors should drive themselves around instead of being chauffeured around
255.	Lack of affordable housing for many of the poor / Homelessness / Inadequate income for many, likewise pensions / Dental and eye care / Child poverty
256.	Housing, education (tuition fees)
257.	Affordable housing - we must have a national programme paid for out of general taxation. Transit should receive stable long-term funding from the province as well as revenue from road tolls.
258.	Housing / Education
259.	Housing and education (tuition fees)
260.	Transit City - reinstate / Public Health - invest in / Public housing - maintain and improve / Improve/increase the tree umbrella / Mandate accessibility to all buildings/businesses that serve the public
261.	Do not privatize social housing. / Cut the police budget - the crime rate has been dropping for the last 10 years. / Do not privatize garbage pick-up / City Councillors should work for all citizens of Toronto
262.	Housing, education (tuition)
263.	Affordable housing / public transit / civic engagement: participation / Access to parks and recreation services / Access: equity issues
264.	Housing, job market
265.	Child care (affordable) / Affordable housing / Jobs
266.	Supporting programs and services that assist those seeking employment, helping these people to improve their skills in attaining improved employment, and offering training or access to training that would allow people to improve their opportunities when searching for employment. / / Supporting programs and services that help people achieve basic skills in English, such as reading, writing, computer skills, so as to improve their quality of life and improve the fabric of the community. Success in these areas can mean a person can achieve their GED and thereby access gainful employment, let alone building self-esteem. / / Supporting programs and services that support those who wish to volunteer in an organization. Volunteering assists in enhancing one's sense of self-esteem, and contribution to a person's development in various social and life skills. / / Supporting programs and services that support the transgender community in building life skills. These programs could continue to assist in addressing the barriers that trans folks face in regards to employment, housing, discrimination, etc. / / Supporting programs and services that encourage those who need skills upgrading or refreshing, after having been out of the work force for a time. Training and skills development in certain areas can be a step towards obtaining or maintaining employment. Such programs can also be a bridge to post-secondary education by partnering with local colleges and universities in skills and application development.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
267.	Accessibility for seniors in subways, more washrooms in subway stations / Affordable housing / Increase in social assistance / Special diet allowance
268.	Refurbishing run down park facilities. Improved facilities equals more use, which equals safer parks. Sell all houses owned by Toronto Community Housing worth more than \$500k and use the proceeds to house low income families in clean affordable and well maintained apartments. Improving the TTC service, implementing a pay per distance system like Tokyo's
269.	housing for the unfortunate (on social assistance and the homeless), more funding and grants and bursaries for post secondary students, taxes (stop creating taxes for services and stop raising them), find more ways in which the municipal and federal government can cut their spending (accountability)
270.	more bike lanes in the downtown core, more shelters for the homeless especially during extremes of weather, more preservation of historical buildings, less condos, fewer tax breaks for the upper class and more for the middle and lower classes, more services and affordable housing for seniors, more TTC routes and longer hours of service
271.	Homelessness needs to be addressed; there should be more affordable housing being built
272.	Housing affordability
273.	Decent Affordable Housing
274.	The issue of condos being built as international investment opportunities rather than living spaces will create a long-term empty shell in the city centre. The city needs to invest more directly into social housing and also ensuring larger square footage for new condo developments for families in an affordable price range. Toronto needs to think of itself as a global city, which means moving families from the suburbs into the city. And not making the city an exclusive enclave only for the wealthy. Diversity is key to long-term sustainability.
275.	Cycling and public transportation should taken more seriously. The financial and environmental cost of gridlock are high. The city needs to invest heavily in cycling and public transportation infrastructure. Equality and inclusion of minorities. The huge waiting list on Toronto Community Housing is a huge issue since many individuals are trying to flee from unthinkable violence and negative circumstances, but cannot do so since the wait list is so long.
276.	Quality, affordable housing is absolutely necessary for a thriving, global city. I want to live in a city that is truly diverse, both culturally and economically, and is attractive to our country's thought leaders and workers. We have the potential to be a creative city but this is dependent on diversity. No one will want to live here if we don't offer quality housing at a variety of price points.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
277.	Reevaluate it's move toward privatization of public housing. This will not effectively support those who need rgi housing. Further, selling off such essential city assets seems short sighted. There are definitely problems with TCHC, no doubt but the city and individuals in needs of affordable housing will benefit more from a healthy, well functioning public housing provider.
278.	Access to public services like child care and recreation with no cost. Service fees are a way of increasing tax on some people rather than pooling resources and providing access to all who want or need it. / Affordable regulated public childcare for all city residents, not only those lucky enough to get on the subsidy list. / Public housing - we need more of this. Stop privatizing it and selling it off. This is not the answer. There's a crisis when so many in the community have nowhere safe and affordable to live. Invest in it. Regulate it. Enforce bylaws that hold landlords responsible. / Equity across the city in terms of bylaws that were changed in some areas and not others - for example, Rooming houses can be built in the old city of Toronto but not in parts of Scarborough. Private garbage pick up in Etobicoke. Get rid of these and equalize things across the city.
279.	Affordable housing to be provided to low income people. Some specific community/ ethnic people are misusing the TCHC building, that should be looked into and there should be a graduating period for the people living in the TCHC buildings. tenants at TCHC should not think as it a life long option for them so others ae in the waiting list can also get access based on the priority needs. long waiting time should be reduced.
280.	Transit, affordable housing, poverty, homelessness.
281.	maintain ownership of services and assets in public hands, fund public health initiatives, fun community centres and programs, support affordable housing, invest long term in public transportation
282.	Affordable housing
283.	Better transportation and infrastructure support. I think that ensuring the infrastructure and policies are in place to ensure cyclist safety and integration is very important. Additionally I place high value on issues relating to social housing and homelessness.
284.	Affordable and supportive housing / Public transit across the GTA / Bicycle lanes
285.	important to ensure that the vulnerable, which includes stray and abandoned animals, are cared for which includes licensing and housing of strays until they can be returned or adopted out.
286.	Subsidized housing, food programs, increase bike lanes
287.	affordable housing; recreation centres; libraries
288.	Public health, Increasing funding for Toronto Community Housing, Toronto Public Library, TTC
289.	Affordable Housing
290.	Not selling off City owned assets like Waterfront property, historic sites like Casa Loma, TTC stations, Community Housing or any City/Taxpayer owned asset.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
291.	Affordable housing The frightening hiring freeze of public health nurses.... Our front line protectors of community health.
292.	there is no mechanism within the city departments with which one can easily identify duplicate services. For example, Toronto Community Housing has leadership programmes for youth. In addition, there are similar programmes being offered by Youth and Employment Services, Toronto Public Health, Police, Fire, EMS, Libraries, Parks, Forestry, Recreation as well as others... no one has had the insight to ensure each of those programmes is well run, successful or even has any idea about what other options there are for youth. Nurses should not be running a youth leadership programmes when there are already dozens available!
293.	Affordable housing, less condominiums
294.	Better planning of new housing. Stop permitting construction of massive high rise residential buildings in the same small area. Balance the community with a mix of residential homes, shops, community centres and single dwellings.
295.	Daycare targetted investment of city services to ensure those with the greatest need can have access to them i.e. priority neighbourhoods. continuing to support the environmental and sustainability initiatives that are key to a healthy and competitive future for our city. Do not make short term cash rich decisions instead of longer term public investments. in particular, the public investment in our waterfront must continue to allow us all to leverage greater private investment. do not sell publicly owned waterfront or affordable housing.
296.	Affordable transportation and social housing
297.	improve public health services, public libraries, public transit, emergency medical services, police services, increase affordable housing and recreational and community centres.
298.	Decent, affordable housing - more Co-ops, less TCHC
299.	Housing
300.	clean and accessible parkland at the waterfront (east donlands development, portlands, ashbridges). There is a great opportunity to develop the east waterfront in the right way, which is to say not all tall condos at the waters edge (e.g. west end development). Please take the opportunity to develop this into clean and accessible parkland, with low rise housing if appropriate.
301.	Affordable housing and transportation and services for low-income people
302.	housing affordability
303.	Cost of living - this city is too expensive (housing - both buying and renting)
304.	Access to affordable housing, particularly for disabled, mentally ill and addicted peoples. Access to mental health care at no cost or low cost (without waiting lists of more than 1 month). Making cycling safer and more viable for average commuters (penalizing vehicle drivers for contravening rules of the road particularly when they put cyclist as risk - e.g. parking/pulling over in bike lanes, forcing cyclist out into traffic; cutting in front of cyclists when making right-hand turns, etc.).

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
305.	promoting the arts - from providing grants to small art business', promoting citizens to buy local in the arts and food, promoting hand made goods, promoting art events from one of a kind / handmade fairs (to make them affordable for the smaller artists who can't afford one of a kind shows) to galleries and cultural events / food security - making food affordable for citizens (produce prices went up over 100%, its cheaper to eat at a fast food restaurant than to cook at home) / time poverty - our cost of living has gone up but our salaries have not, housing is at least 1/2 of ANY household's income, and most individuals are a pay cheque away from being homeless. This is not how citizens should live, it is not healthy (Mentally, physically, financially). Lower housing costs, or increase salaries, examine those who are working yet have serious health issues and do not want to acquire disability (want to work for dignity and contribute to society) but need a secure income to live, examine decreasing ours of work as time poverty triggers other forms of poverty and health impediments
306.	Affordable housing for those who have difficulty in the private market. / Street-scaping / Improving TTC service
307.	responsible development (complete streets, public space, community needs and desires, human interactions), Cycling infrastructure (separated lanes or clearly marked lanes), affordable housing, parks and public spaces, maintaining city services and infrastructure (like garbage collection and public housing)
308.	Preservation of our city's history, for example older buildings, making best public use of the waterfront (i.e., not further development such as condominiums). Careful monitoring and control of infill housing, i.e., not piecemeal redevelopment without a plan.
309.	affordable housing / increased public transportation
310.	Decentralization - Return power including budget-setting to former municipalities such as Scarborough. / / Priority on the type housing that families with children will choose to live in rather than be forced to live in because they cannot afford anything better. Most families will live in low-rise housing if they have a choice.
311.	homeless and sickness people, elder care, single family, lower income family, traffic, affordable housing, health care and education system
312.	more bicycle lanes; setting up a "rainy day" fund foe public emergencies; social housing



	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
313.	This city needs a mayor and council who will realize that social spending and a healthy economy are not at polar ends of a continuum, and in fact go hand in hand. This city needs more and better social services, more and better social housing for those in need, and a much smaller focus on how much those who are wealthy will have to pay out in taxes. We absolutely need a transparent and accountable city council, but that same city council needs to be accountable to EVERYONE, not just those who are able and un-willing to pay high taxes. Yes social housing and social programs cost money up-front, but in the long-run, these programs have been proven by research to SAVE money, and save and improve the lives of the most vulnerable. Accountability also means implementing effective programs, not just the cheapest.
314.	Affordable housing is a major problem in Toronto - not just for the poor but for the middle class. Many people spend a third or more of their monthly income on housing, including rental housing. Most young people haven't a hope of buying a home anywhere close to downtown. / There has not been a serious devotion to sensible urban planning. The idea of building (forcing builders) to create communities where people live, work, shop and entertain themselves instead of having to get into a car to pick up a litre of milk is a no-brainer but has not been pursued with any vigour. This is probably because of a too-close alignment between big contractors and politicians. / By the way, why is my Canadian spelling of words like "litre" being flagged as incorrect? Surely this survey is not put together by Americans? If it is, that says a lot about failure to support local enterprise.
315.	Welfare reform. Public housing reform.
316.	subsidized housing for low-income, vulnerable, marginalized, and elderly people / / low-cost child care
317.	ttc; caring for vulnerable citizens: poor, mentally ill, elderly, youth; maintaining and expanding bike lanes/ accessibility/ attitudes towards cyclists; community programs for vulnerable citizens and neighbourhoods; maintaining green spaces and arts and cultural events: street festivals, Pride, Caribana, Contact, Luminato, etc.; maintaining recycling and composting, and expanding these programs until greater waste diversion rates are achieved; maintaining quality public housing (which is not happening yet); providing adequate ttc to underserved neighbourhoods that already have the population density to support it (Downsview/ Finch, as opposed to Sheppard)
318.	More programmes for caring for the homeless. / Who is buying all these condos? Are they being flipped for the most-part, potentially causing future issues in housing and the real estate market?
319.	We need to get out of the social housing business. I believe that all three levels of government should provide housing and mortgages at an affordable levels for those people that are vulnerable or low income. But we need to make them owners of that housing and not FREE LOADERS as they have no respect for that property. They need to be owners and responsible for that property.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
320.	Continued funding for community health centers, drug prevention and harm reduction services, and HIV prevention programs. / Addressing poverty, including support for affordable housing and employment programs / .
321.	My Affordable housing
322.	Accessible transportation for the Inner Suburbs. / Housing access, Homeless Supports and continued Community Supports
323.	The City of Toronto must scale back on police services in order to create funds that can be shifted to other necessary areas of the budget. There needs to be a greater focus on affordable housing initiatives. Long-term care facilities for seniors are horrific. The City of Toronto should consider safe injection sites like Insite in Vancouver. There needs to be more money placed in after school programs(arts and recreation) that educate youth about what opportunities are available to them(employment, education, counselling, training etc.).
324.	Funding for libraries / Funding for community centres / Maintaining our parks / Arts and culture programs / Programs for vulnerable populations/communities / Make living on social assistance more realistic (i.e. raising the rates) / Services for seniors / Shelter, support and housing for homeless people / Compost and recycling services / Bike lanes! - making Toronto a more bike friendly and safe city / Community Health Centres
325.	Well-thought-out routes and appropriate schedules for public transportation especially to currently under-served and at risk neighbourhoods. / Major streets and intersections designed to accommodate pedestrians and cyclists safely. / Excellent design, architecturally and in other ways, of public spaces in particular but also private properties in order to provide feasts for the eye and heart. / Support for the myriad of public festivals and special events--these celebrations lift the spirits, bring in tourists, and promote a sense of living in a community. / Beautify the streets with an eye to year-round enjoyment--trees, flowers, benches, light standards, bricked paths, sculptures that speak to our common experience, historic plaques--all those small touches that say, "We live here, we value our life here, we enjoy our life here." / Clean, safe, affordable housing and social supports for the disadvantaged among us, especially those dealing with mental illness, addictions, poverty, and lack of training and education, all of which are barriers preventing them from being able to live fully productive and healthy lives.
326.	Don't sell public housing, don't close Libraries, sustain TTC routes, if taxes are needed bring back the VRT. Certainly don't cut L / TT
327.	Affordable housing, gentrification, polarization of income (Gentrification)
328.	Homelessness/shelter/housing for those living below the poverty line. Harm reduction approach to working with substance users. A more pro-sex work approach to working with those in the sex trade.
329.	affordable housing / transit
330.	Affordable housing - the city must invest in this. Zoning to more downtown more inclusive for people of a variety of income levels.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
331.	A city wide mandate for reasonable, affordable housing policy for all citizens. The present system has created two major catastrophic failures (Regent Park and Atkinson Coop) and the city is now proposing to waste more taxpayers money on rebuilding public housing that needs to be demolished after only 40 years of existence - on 18 acres of the most expensive land in Canada no less. (Atkinson coop needs to be sold off to private interests and rebuilt into the community as it originally was 40 years ago.)
332.	There is a cultural divide between downtown dwellers and suburban residents, and I would like to see City Hall move towards a more conciliatory, multi-faceted approach to issues that affect different regions differently (i.e. transit, land-transfer taxes, rental and public housing issues, policing and education)
333.	DAYCARE! The city should be more supportive of good daycares who wish to expand - the cost of expansion makes it impossible to do so. I live in a community whose best daycare has 350 on the waiting list yet an empty TDSB building sits next door. PROJECT COORDINATION! Could you ensure that when a street is ripped up, all relevant systems are updated at the same time? It is ridiculous to deal with water one year, gas the next, streetcar rails the following - surely we can do better?
334.	public health, community spaces (libraries and recreation centres), affordable housing,
335.	Urban Forest, Natural Waterfront, Affordable Housing
336.	Transportation issues: public transit improvement and development, facilitation of cycling, incentives to less car use, esp. in city core. / Public housing. / Energy efficiency, conservation and green source. / Electoral reforms: updating of ward system including boundaries, proportional representation. / Preservation of public spaces --not selling off public lands, properties, and corporations such as Toronto Hydro, etc. / Preserve public input to city government, such as via various committees and working groups. /
337.	Housing - safe and affordable
338.	Childcare / Supporting newcomers / Affordable housing
339.	Housing Affordability and Quality
340.	Public housing; / Public access to civic spaces - e.g. parks, public squares etc.
341.	homelessness, housing, climate change
342.	Affordable Housing
343.	Integration of new/all residents of Toronto, Family expansion, affordable housing, create/maintain community housing with utilise lines of communication and a education system to teach people how to leave public housing.
344.	Disability Access and compliance with the AODA. (Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act), need for affordable housing development, welfare rates too low for Toronto, cost of public transit too high for individuals.
345.	affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
346.	Public housing needs more funding and support, we need a plan for poor residents....Ontario Works needs to increase and TTC needs more funding and support (they are falling apart and need upgrades) ....TTC fares can not increase. More subsidized day care spots, more subsidized camp. spots, more youth programs, a serious plan to deal with gridlock with all parties at the table (drivers, cyclists, public transportation)
347.	affordable housing
348.	We have a steadily aging population - we need affordable housing, community health programs, accessible transit, community programs
349.	Getting the housing market under control. Affordable rent.
350.	Housing for low income people
351.	Social justice for minority groups--racial minorities, LGBTQ people, indigenous peoples. Declining quality of TDSB schooling. Lack of affordable housing. Transit issues--TTC and misguided diesel train expansion for GO service to Milton and train service to Pearson airport (trains should be electric).
352.	Housing
353.	The City needs to keep funding all the services it already provides. Our group is very concerned that privatization will not save money and that it will just siphon off profits to the companies that are contracted to provide services. We want to see parks, libraries, recreation centres, public housing, TTC and Wheeltrans maintained and improved. Many of us rely on daycare subsidies to be able to work and contribute to the tax base. We need the city to keep the city-run childcares and the daycare subsidies should be expanded. We are not happy with the increased privatization of our garbage and recycling collection. We really want more affordable and free summer day camps and children's programs provided by city workers at recreation centres. We depend on these services as mothers in low-income families. We also find the library children's programs to be very important to us for our children's growth. As we know the first six years are crucial to building healthy people. Invest in our children!
354.	Transit, housing and social services
355.	Lack of Affordable housing is a big issue in our City. / Programs for youth and not just sports for boys. Healthy communities are built by healthy families, so addressing issues like domestic violence and services for girls is very important
356.	affordable housing
357.	The subway should run earlier on Sunday at least starting at 8am. / Don't sell off public housing and do not privatize it.
358.	The needs of children & youth. Specifically mental health, sport, access to sex education info and general youth empowerment. / / Reducing barriers for people with disabilities. / / Support of the creative arts community and industry, specifically home-based businesses. / / An effective housing strategy (though I assume that is included in the 'vulnerable people' category).

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
359.	Need affordable housing, a city that fosters an active lifestyle (i.e. to avoid people becoming overweight and the health issues that come from it); local foods, reduce chemicals in our foods
360.	public education / schools / child care / public transportation / affordable seniors housing
361.	Public housing.
362.	Building more affordable and low cost housing. / Increasing subsidized day care spaces. / Establishing light rail lines as they have in most European cities - quiet and very efficient.
363.	affordable housing options due to growing gap between housing prices/rent and income
364.	as mentioned earlier, affordable daycare for everyone, especially working families, daycare fees are almost a mortgage payment it is very expensive. As well as more affordable housing for those with low income, especially those on government assistance. Better access to health care.
365.	Taxes are the price of civilization. If we want to live in a civil society we should stop the unproductive war on taxes and start paying willingly to bring about a fair deal for all Torontonians. Unnecessary tax cuts benefit only the wealthy while the rest of society sinks further into poverty. / Another issue: stop all the blather about the non-existent "war on cars." Toronto risks further environmental degradation if we don't do something to lessen our dependence on the automobile. And pie in the sky subways won't help. Only a sensible transit plan will do the job. We had one -- remember? / Finally, forget about unimportant issues like graffiti and deal with things that have made Toronto such a great city -- housing, public health, the environment, etc.
366.	I don't think we should be moving towards using private companies for picking up garbage etc. I think it is a slippery slope in terms of service and offering job security to people who need it most. There need to be appropriate housing, (public housing, shelters etc) for vulnerable citizens
367.	lack of affordable, community-based housing
368.	I think that looking more in - depth to child care and making it more accessible as well as programs that address and assist families who are dealing with a child with a mental health or disability issue. Currently for some of these critical programs there is a waiting list of up to a year! When (particularly single mothers) families are unable to afford or access daycare it does not allow for growth and many are accessing Welfare
369.	The Mayor's "Guarantee" that no services would be cut (!!!); more emphasis on public transportation; better partnerships with schools to efficiently provide community service hubs; much more social housing to reduce homelessness; less wasting taxpayer money on criminalizing the poor, vulnerable and those with mental health issues
370.	more affordable housing

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
371.	Provision of affordable housing to all who need it. We already know that the provision of housing is the key to reducing poverty. / Educational opportunities for youth in vulnerable communities.
372.	housing needs to be more affordable. Tenants are competing with each other for very expensive housing. Landlords are discriminating people, which is a violation of the Human Rights code.
373.	Transit, quality child care, homelessness, public housing, access to healthy food in under-served areas, newcomer services, recreation, culture, arts
374.	Affordable housing, geared to income
375.	Our transit system is completely inadequate. We need light rail to be built right now rather than subway extensions that will take a long time to build and which are also costlier than subways. We need road tolls to pay for transit. We need more affordable housing, more pedestrian areas, more cycling lanes. We need tax policies that encourage developers to build apartment buildings downtown so that people of modest means can also live downtown, not only people who can afford to build condos.
376.	Develop new subway lines / services; review the big picture to plan for development of multiunit residential housing across the downtown Toronto; reduce union services
377.	Affordable housing being developed outside of the city, far away from public transit resulting in traffic congestion (410, 427, 400, 404), pollution, loss of productivity, lower quality of life, higher expenses (fuel prices, or 407 tool fees).
378.	Affordable housing. Daycare.
379.	Bring down the cost of housing by implementing a base-per-square-foot rental unit price cap (rent control). / / Introduce mandatory licensing of landlords, and hold them accountable to regular property inspections by the city. / / Make Toronto Hydro a competitively-priced Internet Service Provider, using the power grid to deliver residential internet service to peoples' homes. Would bring money to city coffers, while competing with larger telcom companies for market-share.
380.	Affordable housing
381.	Support for low-income citizens. Affordable housing, employment and training opportunities, libraries, public transportation, community centres
382.	Transit is a disaster. There needs to be more infrastructure, not just expensive subways. The city needs bike lanes that actually connect with one another. Toronto Community housing needs to be improved, with shorter waiting lists and better service. There needs to be more public housing, not privatization. The police budget is completely out of control, especially given that crime is going down and other essential city services are facing cuts just so that Toronto police can be the highest paid in the country.
383.	Toronto, as housing prices escalate, is becoming a city for the rich and the tax structure (based on values of houses) is reflecting this forcing people to move out of the city. It was an idea that was not thought through.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
384.	Food security; affordable housing; public, affordable daycare; connected, separated network of bicycle lanes on major streets should be a major priority; increased funding for public libraries; increased funding for Toronto Public Health to combat bedbug problem; access to health and mental health services for vulnerable populations; creation of pedestrian- and bike-friendly zones; a freeze on transit fares; access to affordable recreation services.
385.	Snow removal, swimming pools, public health, parks, restaurant licensing, garbage removal, road maintenance, welfare and social assistance, day care operation and licensing, fire safety, building codes, water and beach safety, grants for community-based events and programs, facade improvement programs in commercial areas, managing courts for provincial offenses, long-term care facilities for seniors, public libraries, TTC, affordable housing, law enforcement
386.	Stop spending money putting up plants in low income developments when nearby houses can't afford such luxuries [Lawrence - Allen Expressway] / / Make Toronto a Union-Free Zone - allow businesses to open & operate at lower cost - they will thrive & be happy to pay city taxes / / Lower drastically cost of TTC - encourage people to want to work in Toronto / / Abolish the foolish \$.05 charge per bag - on an international scale it makes Toronto look small minded, not world class. / / Upload cost of public long care facilities - they are really the same area as health care - same for home visits - these costs are growing with the aging population / / Enforce deportation orders - these people are a drain on resources / Eliminate fraud from welfare & subsidized housing / Privatize unionized labour work - unless they are willing to work for the same rate as they would get in private industry /
387.	decrease policing costs, especially paid duty. also, wastage in welfare and community housing /
388.	All people should work in order to eat. Sell off all subsidized housing and don't force landlords to provide subsidized housing. Eliminate welfare and baby factories (Toronto Community Housing) by putting EVERYONE to work.
389.	Affordable Public Housing /
390.	Immigration is a federal issue, aboriginal affairs are a federal issue. Social housing and welfare are a provincial responsibility. Address the problems created by downloading these issues to municipality and reopen discussion with province and federal governments.
391.	transportation that is affordable, accessible and seamless including outside the GTA, addressing the concentration of poverty around the core, and lack of affordable housing that is supportive and dedicated (not rent supplements!)
392.	More social housing in a multi-income environment to reduce the prevalence of poverty ghettos / A mix of subsidized housing and market rent or privately-owned condos together in one neighbourhood
393.	Yes better public transit, affordable housing, daycare for families with young children. /

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
394.	Continue to consult with citizens on social service / Find money to deal with affordable housing / Give higher priority to environmental challenges / Deal with the auto mess by introducing tolls
395.	Immigrant and refugee housing and supports
396.	Planning issues - mixed use and income communities. My area has a lot of new development but it is all market priced condominiums - no subsidized housing, no new rental housing, no new community services - for example anticipated 10,000 new residents but no new jr school or library and no business hub associated with it and no new transportation. How does that happen?
397.	Seniors: / We met with 15 Cantonese seniors at our Seniors Program on June 6th. They are very passionate about the needs of seniors. Some of the top needs included need for more seniors public housing and better maintenance including more air conditioning, of existing units. They do not want this service to be privatized. / Seniors also want more frequent and reliable TTC service, with a reduced fare for seniors and a possible seniors' day pass for a reduced fare as they have in Vancouver. Seniors do not want any parts of the TTC to be privatized. They are concerned about maintenance and the potential loss of routes that are considered not as busy. / Other top needs for the city included city run childcare and childcare subsidies, well maintained parks and recreation centres with free programs, libraries, and more long term care spaces. A number of the seniors commented that waiting lists are too long for long term care. / This group wants the city to invest in making Toronto more livable. They want public housing and TTC to be uploaded to the Ontario Government and the Federal Government to provide the two per cent revenue from the gas tax to cities. They want property taxes frozen for seniors, but accept that these taxes should be raised for other Toronto residents. / / /
398.	Maintaining parks and trees, public housing to be repaired, support of food banks, public transit supported, library services supported
399.	Quality housing for low-income residents, quality child care for all residents who need it



	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
400.	1) I am very concerned with the disassembly of many citizen councils. Participants on these councils are individuals educated on the issues of the council they partake in. Eliminating these councils also eliminates a very well informed source for decision-makers which will result in biased decision-making. / / 2) Eliminating the 5 cent plastic bag fee. This was a great policy implemented by past Council. It resulted in a drastic reduction in use of plastic bags and to eliminate this policy would impact both the environment (one-use products) and the retailers revenue. / / 3) Motorists vs. cyclists. It's unfortunate that this has become a two-sided debate as it clearly also impacts pedestrians and public transit riders. City council needs to derive a solution that will bring harmony to all sides rather than pitting one against the other. Toronto is a large city and can accommodate everyone with a little understanding. I am in favour of bike lanes separated by cement barriers. It provides cyclists with a greater sense of safety and identifies a clear lane that motorists will not mistake for a car lane. I am in favour of having them on side streets, however, it is counterproductive to remove bike lanes that are already in place (i.e. Jarvis). / / 4) Affordable housing: we need to have more affordable housing mixed in with more gentrified neighbourhoods. This will allow lower income families to be influenced by families of a higher socio-economic status. / /
401.	Providing Affordable housing, Provide affordable shelter to the homeless, Congestion on the roads, provide seniors city assistance and rebates, make the TTC effective service by providing more buses and extending the subway line, keeping the conservatories, greenhouses and parks continue to belong to the city. provide social assistance for the vulnerable and more money for infrastructure.
402.	Funding for the arts, Housing for the homeless and underprivileged
403.	Toronto should consider more affordable housing for people. Health care structure for the large population that will be seniors-tax cuts for them. Stop feeding the rich and ignoring the poor and middle class.
404.	Affordable housing - maintaining current affordable housing stock and increasing availability and affordable housing stock. Ensuring that affordable housing is well maintained and safe.
405.	Homeless, Affordable Housing, Parks
406.	affordable housing, city services, access to public services, more public participation.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
407.	It depends on what is included in the words you placed on the survey. / / For example, fire services and emergency medical needs to be included, but may be assumed under the safety and security heading (so not mentioned as often as it might be otherwise). / / So, especially if the headings have a narrow definition, I would include in the mix the following - policing, accessibility, human rights support, shelters for children, youth and adults, mental health services, provincially-mandated health activities such as promotion, prevention (public health inspections), collaboration with other municipal governments and other government departments to determine best practices, food programs to ensure there is no hunger, income support where needed to ensure no poverty, managing housing stock to ensure affordable housing, maintaining waterfront access and ensuring construction of high-density housing includes appropriate community services, recreation services (pools, etc. especially for low income families), beautification and maintenance of public property (we used to have a gloriously maintained city and were the envy of many), and by-law enforcement on private property and enforcing bylaws on all fronts, undertaking all other mandated provincial activities such as court services/payments, appropriate land-use planning and permitting/inspection, noise and nuisance control, fence/boundary disputes, parking (not sure if it was included in transportation), supporting arts, cultural and heritage events to ensure tourism, child care systems, public libraries and internet access
408.	priority neighbourhood continuing programming and funding lack of affordable housing
409.	Housing for people-in need, homeless, etc
410.	- Affordable housing within the City, encouragement of first-time owners / property investments; / - Environmental improvements --- more green spaces / old trees, clean water, less lake pollution, clean beach / lake areas (for swimming) / - Community dev
411.	We need more well maintained public transit - street cars, buses and subways that are environmentally sustainable. There should be a restriction of usage of cars especially during hot humid weather. Affordable housing and supports for vulnerable people. People with mental health issues should have an assigned personal support worker/ case manager to assist with daily living.
412.	Yes, the city should be considering increasing or at least sustaining the funding it provides for services provided by non-profit sector agencies. The city should continue to build on the mixed model (partnerships) between the city and non-profit organizations to provide services such as Children's Mental Health services, youth programming, shelters, employment services, public housing, summer camp programs, etc. This is crucial as a wide range of social programs that promote inclusion, community education, and civic engagement are provided in this way.
413.	Affordable housing, basic financial support through public funds for those unable to work,
414.	provision of affordable rental housing, affordable home ownership

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
415.	Sustainable, affordable city-wide public transit is needed IMMEDIATELY; Cycling infrastructure including safe lanes and motorist education; Affordable housing; Police accountability, particularly for the crimes committed against citizens last year; Overall sustainable, long-term planning for the city.
416.	The city needs to provide more housing and other services for the homeless, including youth and LGBTQ homeless people.
417.	Affordable housing system that is accountable and responsible for its tenants / Increase incentive and supports for low-middle income home buyers / Shift emphasis from fighting crime to addressing the root cause / Accountable school boards that address and work to reduce drop out rates / Increased investments for After-School programs in neighbourhood and community centres
418.	housing, homelessness, shelters
419.	Promote job creation via education instead of giving money away to social housing, daycare. People have to be responsible for themselves i.e. to many fatherless children. Expand the Middle class, stop the subsidies to the rich and poor promote self achievement. This will create valuable middle class tax base which will support valued basis program no more free lunch
420.	Sustainable and affordable transportation. / Improved policies for City workers, i.e.. a no idling of vehicles rule that is enforced. / Accessible social services. / Addressing the social aspect of crime and security, investing in CRC, libraries and community support City wide. / Women's services and rights as a priority and reforming the Toronto Police Department along with all other departments to reflect equal respect for women and equal pay for equal work. Working to ensure 50:50 representation in all municipal departments. / Increased spending on social housing and TCHC reform. / Increased support and innovation in areas like sustainability, transportation, architecture, and the art. /
421.	Bike lanes, affordable housing and fighting homophobia on city council
422.	Equity & Diversity - addressing needs in a culturally relevant way; supporting culturally-diverse festivals (i.e.. Taste of the Danforth, Pride, etc.) / / Housing - more rent-geared to income housing that is good quality, safe, clean / / Public health - access to harm reduction & safer sex education and materials; access to programming related to nutrition, financial planning/budgeting, aging, parenting/families;
423.	The provision of recreation based programs and services for all citizens (young children, parents, school-age children, youth, adults, seniors, newcomers, etc). / Providing access to city programs and services for low-income families. / Ensuring that the City of Toronto maintains ownership and control over public properties (parks, waterfront properties, community centres, recreation complexes). / Ensuring that the City of Toronto maintains ownership and control over programs which exist for the interest of the public (affordable housing, etc). / Ensure that community funding sources (city grants) continue to be available to community organizations.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
424.	Toronto Community Housing takes too much money and does not spend it wisely. I am a tenant rep and have engaged in many activities. I do not understand, if you get full market value which is subsidized by the governments. why do you not have money. it is because you do not manage the money well, They need to get back to being a property manager, There are many support systems for people who need it , also funded by govt. so let the social agencies deal with the so called vulnerable tenants. THC is to blame for the sense of entitlement that many residents have. All people are fed, is your rights ,your rights, never is it explained that along with rights comes responsibility. I also believe that the whole tenant rep system needs to be reviewed. There is a tremendous waste of money. Also , the amount of money that is spent on translators, when meetings are held. If you look at the recent elections, that were held , only one third of the reps even voted.
425.	I fully support the city moving to divest itself of ALL Toronto Community Housing properties and going to a voucher system that covers a portion of the rent for eligible candidates. / I support privatization of ALL city services. / Sell Toronto Hydro / Sell Toronto Water
426.	monitoring sufficiency of housing stock for hard to house and homeless
427.	Housing
428.	A national housing policy / Better disposal of garbage / Improved customer service / Sanitized and cleaner washrooms at subways.
429.	housing and public space
430.	Affordable housing, childcare, youth and elderly programs, affordable use of public space for community and community members
431.	Poverty is a city-wide issue. Making life better for Torontonians living in poverty will result in a better quality of life for all of us, as improving the quality of life of those living in poverty would entail improving public transit, increasing the supply of affordable housing, and increasing the minimum wage in Toronto. All of these initiatives will result in a healthier city with a larger tax base.
432.	Transit / Housing
433.	Environment and Greenspace, affordable housing, local procurement
434.	The environment is the most critical issue today. Reducing car pollution, increasing public transportation, cleaning up Lake Ontario, and creating more green spaces including an accessible waterfront. We also need to ensure that the continued gap between the rich and the poor be narrowed and that there is safe housing for all. STOP worrying about public graffiti, CONTINUE charging 5 cents for a plastic bag, and START creating a green accessible city! This is the only way we can become a world class city.
435.	keeping waterfront development more public in terms of consultation and use of space, improving social and settlement services and providing more affordable housing.
436.	transit / affordable housing / environmental awareness

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
437.	Improve and invest in public transportation. Built a rapid transit system more affordable and efficient than a underground subway system. Improve transportation and the environment by restricting the number of cars downtown favouring public transportation over cars. Restore the car tax to help with our municipal finances. Increase efficiency in the spending by using wisely the cities money and not decreasing the city's income. Promote the use of bicycles and alternative ways of transportation. Keep alive environmental programs, housing, social assistance and immigrant support organizations. Creating an anti-corruption team to make sure money is wisely invested.
438.	Taxes are relatively low in this city and our services are crumbling. A tax system that creates additional taxes is needed. We need to tax/levy fees on people using city services (ex. road tolls) to fund infrastructure and city services. Another issue is building communities that aren't all condos. There is too much condo development in the City and too little focus on other forms of housing and mixed use communities.
439.	Extension of public transportation. affordable housing, social safety nets, some plan to help the homeless get off the streets.
440.	providing services to homeless individuals in the community to continue support these individual with on going support for accessing housing...this help's them and keeps business people happy by, not having people hang around outside their business daily. Outreach services are important in many ways.
441.	- consider affordable housing for families in the downtown core. we need families. families need affordable housing. / - consider looking at "transportation" as "people-moving," not as car-moving, so that our plans include good options for pedestrians, b
442.	I think that there is a serious need for better housing initiatives and shelter beds. More funding needs to be put towards helping those most vulnerable in our city in a way which is not degrading. I find the current neoliberal agenda shameful. It is the responsibility of government to protect the most vulnerable. I am also dismayed that the government wants to put more money into police services to punish crime rather than funding programs to battle the issues which would prevent crime
443.	Child Care / Libraries / Housing
444.	public health- ensuring that the citizens of Toronto have access to all the provincially mandated Public Health services. / public transportation- affordable, accessible public transit / recreation-low cost recreational programming for all ages / library services- please do not close our libraries / child care- affordable ,regulated child care / housing-safe, affordable housing for those in need / city plan- follow the plan
445.	Develop good subway system like Paris, France, and low income housing.
446.	public transit / public housing
447.	Housing/ Transit
448.	Affordable housing, a poverty plan, demand our share of federal resources.
449.	Housing

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
450.	(1) Continuously managing to ensure effectiveness of Community Policing approach. (2) Is the TCHC Revitalization Strategy sustainable or are we just upgrading the deck chairs on the Titanic? (3) Because 75% of City contracts is labour costs, is the Fair Wage Policy really just a price fixing policy that drives up local inflation and offsets any economies of scale opportunities . This results in the city's normalized spend per capita rate being the highest of urban centres in Canada.
451.	Healthcare / Housing
452.	Sell city owned housing using the normal real estate method (anyone can submit an offer & a closing date established) & the highest offer is accepted. / Proceeds to go towards the budget
453.	Stick to the transit city plan not more subways. Traffic laws that accommodate cyclists. More work on accessibility for the disabled. Rent controls, clamping down on negligent landlords, affordable housing/rent subsidies.
454.	Affordable housing, public transit, civic engagement and participation, access to parks and recreation services, access to childcare, access and equity issues
455.	I believe handling TCHC in the right way = single dwelling homes being sold for capital repair. Better policing of TCHC and security so TCHC can deal with wrong tenants quickly so families can look after themselves without fear
456.	There should be more affordable housing in the city for low income people and also there should be jobs created for new graduates.
457.	upload social services to province, direct funding to areas where Toronto will get the most R.O.I., make social services accountable not waste, ie. TCHC, any organization, or division of the city has to prove their productivity, and fiscal responsibility
458.	Public health services including multipronged addiction services, strengthening vulnerable communities, parks and recreation, affordable housing and support services for underhoused, affordable childcare
459.	ensuring emergency preparedness for the city / protecting core services including day care, public safety, health services, affordable housing / public safety and senior services / having a city promoting Canadian Culture and encourages vacationers to Toronto /
460.	Housing. Employment is not a jurisdiction that municipal government can do much to effect, it should not be on the list.
461.	Housing, Transit, Child Care
462.	-adequate and affordable housing / -updated public transportation as reasonable fair for citizens /
463.	Transportation--affordable, non-car / affordable housing
464.	How to address the growing gap between the rich and the poor. Affordable housing.
465.	Do not decrease, but reform social housing
466.	adequate subsidized and affordable housing, higher quality architecture, greenspace, make it safer for cyclists
467.	fixing community housing problems should be a priority

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
468.	Affordable housing and affordable childcare, recreation and arts programs for everyone
469.	Fix the TCHC. Force the sale of their valuable homes in the downtown core to repair the other multi-unit properties. Finally, have the corporation run efficiently and responsibly.
470.	shelters and housing support
471.	I am very concerned with property taxes being raised, as well as the efficiency of the TTC. It seems that we are paying more and more for the TTC but we are receiving the same (or less than) service, which unfortunately isn't very good. We need more affordable housing and help for the vulnerable in our society.
472.	Do not lose sight of what this city represents for Canada. This is the face of our country to the rest of the world, and we need to REALLY be world-class. Not just talk about it. That includes social programmes like public housing and public transit that can compare with other large cities around the world - and we don't .
473.	Fixing up roads to make them more bike friendly, and to also hold bicyclist accountable for obeying the rules of the road. Not selling off TCHC housing when it would be put vulnerable people at risk unnecessarily
474.	Yes, the increasing income disparity across Toronto that has been growing over the past few decades should be of great importance to Toronto. According to the latest figures, there are over 800 million residents in Toronto that live below the poverty line. This is a city wide issue because it translates into increased demands for housing, shelters, food security, and a host of other city services. The problem of poverty is very specific to Toronto because it is becoming unbearably expensive to live in for many of the residents that are the backbone of this city. There needs to be a comprehensive strategy on how to address the ghettoization of certain parts of the city, and how to make this city great and affordable for EVERYONE.
475.	1)provide services to new immigrants and their children e.g. more ESL classes, / 2) parks and recreation programs not accessible to new comers, not enough free spaces and programs for low-income families, long line and busy phone lines at registration dates for city' s park and recreation programs. (frustrations) / 3) rent is too high, housing prices are way too high. / 4)TTC fare and gas prices are too high / 5) emergency room waiting time is too long (Hours) / 6)universities graduates aren't finding any jobs they studied / 7)new comers aren't getting any jobs, always low-income jobs / 8)more free legal clinics / 9)more after-hour walk -in clinics / 10) more library drop-off boxes placed at the curbside of a road/ set up a kiss-and -drop off and pick up-box service for library materials at each street corners. More accessible for people who are trapped at home (e.g. new mothers with lots of chores and responsibilities, / 11) more services for mentally ill
476.	Toronto Community Housing / Employment / Sexual health issues

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
477.	accessible housing and accessible buildings in general, accessible urban environment (traffic lights, curb cuts, and other urban landscape features), accessible foodbanks that also accommodate various religious and dietary needs (kosher, halal, vegetarian/vegan, and people who require nutritional supplements/meal replacements like Ensure), affordable transportation that's fully accessible for people with disabilities, social programs/services that benefit vulnerable people (seniors, kids, people with disabilities, working poor, people on social assistance).
478.	Affordable housing
479.	Environmental issues (i.e. industrial, nuclear plants, lowering pollution levels, etc) public safety and health issue preparedness / Slow down development (condos/housing) manage roads/traffic -- too many people on the roads/transit / Improve/revitalize areas of the city that need it (i.e. Keele & Eglinton, lakeshore, etc...)
480.	Cultural services; Environment including parks, trees and wildlife; Water; Garbage; Transit; Fires; Medical services; Housing
481.	I am concerned about any cuts to services that support the most needy people in our city. The lack of affordable housing affects us all, not just those on waiting lists for social housing. I am also concerned about cuts to services that support youth and new immigrants. These people are our future.
482.	bike lanes; housing; daycare, / air quality; recycling; supporting the development of renewable energy technologies
483.	Increasing affordable rental housing.
484.	Gridlock and traffic congestion is costing our city billions in lost productivity, on top of losing an untold number of businesses that would otherwise choose Toronto as their home base. / / Meanwhile, hard-working new immigrants and lower-income families who are mainly concentrated in the inner suburbs and "priority neighbourhoods" are denied a fair chance to make a living and realize the Canadian dream thanks to inadequate public transit, dilapidated public space, TCHC properties in disrepair, and restrictive zoning that prevents a thriving entrepreneurial/small business culture. / / Most importantly, when the people of the city only see themselves as taxpayers who seek to minimize their contribution to their community, as opposed to citizens who seek to maximize their contribution, it dooms Toronto to being a perennial runner-up, wannabe alpha city, never fully achieving its full potential. This has a negative impact on attracting tourists, new business and jobs, and most of all Torontonians.
485.	Public Transit, Housing, parks & recreation,
486.	Improving social housing / Improving cycling network / Waterfront development / Public parks
487.	TTC funding really has to be subsidized provincially and federally as well as locally. Our infrastructure is crumbling faster than it is being repaired. We do not have anywhere near the amount of affordable housing we desperately need



	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
488.	public transit, green spaces/roofs, safe and healthy subsidized housing and food programs, job skills training
489.	Public housing for low income people /
490.	More affordable mobile housing, Enhanced Social services, More youth employment and internship opportunities, Road maintenance, Very poor air quality as a public health issue.
491.	Affordable good quality housing for those who cannot gain access to social housing
492.	1. Providing better opportunities for including young people in and at all levels of decision-making; particularly as relates or directly impacts on their lives: civic engagement; jobs; arts & culture; recreation; budgeting; planning; evaluation... 2. advocating for and putting citizens/residents first in all negotiations with corporations who build and do business in Toronto. 3. Focus on and prioritize with immediate action to fix and properly invest in maintaining our city's infrastructure: roads, transportation, public buildings, parks, housing, etc.
493.	Wasting Tax payer dollars on redundant social services and programs that help the so called vulnerable that are so poorly attended they need not exist. Clearing the owed rent in TCHC from non paying tenants.
494.	Culture and sport should be separate. / Really putting the drug strategy into operation - and funding it. / proper public transit - and a well thought out plan. We had one once. / much more public housing - and that housing in better repair. / The city infrastructure - it is old and wearing out . / Making Toronto more livable and friendly - for the residents as well as for tourists. This means developing and applying architectural standards; developing parks. Developing the waterfront and Downsview park. Toronto is not "on the map" as it should be. I fear that it's time may have passed. / More pedestrian friendly streets, down town in particular. / take Scarborough back from the automobile. Develop safer, more comfortable neighbourhoods. That means doing something about the extra-wide streets without trees or places to sit and relax. The excess of strip malls, etc. Paraphrasing Gertrude Stein about Oakland I believe ... "There is no there ." / Get rid of the Gardner - or most of it / Is this enough?
495.	- More affordable housing and support for the affordable housing that exists. ex: DONT sell off the community housing units! where do you expect those people to live affordably? / - recommit and improve on environmental sustainability initiatives. / - go b

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
496.	I think it is crucial that the City of Toronto be concerned with labour rights and should do everything in it's power to prevent the privatization of our city services. I also think that it is important to consider art - as a separate issue from the category of "culture and sports" mentioned in the previous part of this survey. Art is an essential part of life and is often the key to a city's vibrancy, resilience, and should be given serious priority as worthy of the City's priorities. The last thing that was missing from the last page of this survey was attention to city planning. Toronto is becoming a sprawling metropolis - both in terms of the expansion of suburban housing developments, and in terms of the proliferation of downtown condos. The City needs to make urban planning a serious priority!
497.	I think the elected leadership needs to make clear to the electorate that city-building requires public investment --and that that is a worthwhile investment because it ensures that we can all live and work in the city safely and productively. The current emphasis on dividing the city --between downtown and the suburbs, between 'left' and 'right' is short sighted and silly. Toronto continues to score highly in every major index of liveability around the world: this is a city that has pioneered approaches to immigrant settlement, cultural development, new higher tech industries, creating community 'hubs', rejuvenating public housing--this list of the city's accomplishments goes on and on --within government and within the community and business sectors. The Mayor and Council should be out selling this ALL THE TIME and Torontonians need to be sold on why its just fine that they are taxed --because it buys them civilization!
498.	Affordable housing for everyone
499.	Toronto housing need revamping. It is costing the city too much money. A different approach and model is needed. / / Reduce waste at City Hall and improve efficiency, quality and transparency. / Reduce office budgets and discretionary funds to the councillors. / / Street cleaners are not doing an adequate job on cleaning the streets. I seen a car with a vacuum hose go by many times. / and still see a lot of street litter not vacuumed. Why is this? I think there is no follow up and control over workers that work for the government. Also the best time to clean the street is at night where there are less traffic. / / Improve the economy of Toronto with various means such as encouraging small businesses, tourism with city events, or be a bigger voice to lobby more funds and support for the Toronto / / No increase in taxes. Please improve efficiency and quality and increase workload as most businesses have to. / / TTC need to employ different levels of staff for work that require less experience i.e. TTC booth workers should not be done byt drivers and earn the same pay. Reduce waste and improve service but not cut in infrastructure. / / Reduce police budget but also look at a different model so the police does not spend time in bad policing. Police needs to work on real crime, not in traffic direction, and small offences. They should look at efficiency and increase workload just like the rest in this economy. / / Restrict migration or refugees to the city that do not have already have work setup. / / License pet owners to discourage pet abandonment /

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
500.	build affordable housing
501.	Transit. Provision of services by public employees. Bike lanes and infrastructure. Clean parks. Programs for children and youth. How to get more support from other levels of government for our transit, for public housing, for childcare subsidies and facilities.
502.	expanding access to affordable housing & raising social assistance and disability rates
503.	Community housing - this is so important.
504.	Providing affordable housing. / supporting new immigrants in finding jobs
505.	Impact of immigration, social housing, upcoming pan games and impact on city
506.	Extending public transit and providing bicycle lanes, maintaining and improving the public housing supply, maintaining quality public services provided by existing workers and not privatizing to save money, which inevitably leads to reduced services and compromised safety
507.	housing - the wait list for non-profit housing is shockingly long
508.	Inquiry into the actions of the Toronto Police at the G20 summit, housing for the poor, services for new immigrants and low-income adults, public space and advertising, public transit
509.	Develop a plan to use city property to the benefit of all. It can be a revenue producing issue and it can accommodate mixed housing / We should never sell land or property Public/private partnerships can work. Government regulates private sector delivers as contracted.
510.	Garbage pick up services should stay the way it is and not contracted out. We should not have to pay extra money for placing more than three garbage bags and we shouldn't have to keep paying 5cents for plastic bag at any store--it's not fair to us tax paying citizens. / I believe more families should stay together in one home up to 3-4 people so as to provide low income housing to low income or poor single people who don't have families here or are on their own or to married couples with or without children also with low income or poor. /
511.	Affordable Housing, access to local, healthy food
512.	Affordable housing and community services that assist low income people and help new Canadians integrate
513.	Affordable housing, transportation, traffic reduction, the arts (very different from sports), - preferably de-amalgamation
514.	Traffic congestion, pollution, lack of public transit, lack of funding for public services, underfunding of public housing, lack of vision regarding waterfront, fundiction for cultural and arts programs.

	<b>Affordable Housing – Other Important City-Wide Issues</b>
515.	Long-term planning even if it costs something in the short-term, environmental impact of NOT sustaining and intelligently expanding city transportation systems, ceasing empty rhetoric of 'tax cuts' and 'gravy-cuts' as if City Council in the past has been wasteful, working with unions and labour rather than demonizing them, working with the province to increase support for welfare and housing for the city's poor, isolated, vulnerable and neglected, re-instate the licence tax, re-instate environmental rebates for people buying eco-friendly appliances and air-conditioners, build planned bridge to Fort York

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1.	the city should download some of their services like shelters and housing to the non profit sector as this will provide maximum services for fewer dollars invested
2.	Go after other levels of government , e.g. federal government should pick up the tab for housing all the refugees that are in TCHC buildings as well as other extra costs associated with refugees and immigrants ,. e.g. ESL programs
3.	The City should not be in the housing business. This should be a Provincial responsibility. Also user fee should be increased to those who actually want or require the said services. User pay.
4.	Focus should be on the necessities - not the "nice to have" - the basics of health, safety, housing should come before arts and culture - although these are wonderful additions, they are not required for daily life.
5.	privatization seldom costs less over time (even if it seems to in the short term) and it is important to regulate, voluntary compliance in most cases doesn't work in north America because the almighty dollar (and its accumulation) trumps all else. Public services are vital for public life and health. Reduce the police budget (especially the overtime coffee-swilling "supervision" of construction sites) and you can have enough to provide daycare to all working families and keep public housing safe
6.	It strikes me that less gravy train and more leadership about the quality of city living is what's needed. / It has never ceased to amaze me that we refuse to understand that unless we all benefit from excellent economic, / health, arts and security policies that we usually end up having to pickup the tab for the damage unless we're morons, which / I like to think we're not. Poor quality public housing, and even lack of cleanliness in our public transportation, is a health hazard for all of us, and costly to the system in the long run. Our society at all levels of government need to begin indulging in some kind of vision, which could begin at the municipal level.

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7.	<p>Public housing should NOT be built or administered by the City of Toronto. The millions that are wasted to build a SINGLE UNIT of a residence are outrageous; developers would bankrupt themselves if they spent the ludicrous amounts on construction that the City of Toronto Public Housing has spent. Additionally, the worst maintained apartments in the city are under the operational control of city management. Public housing is a 'motherhood issue'-----but don't be afraid to expose the failure of the current model and move forward to try to contract out for reasonable efficiency AND better service to the tenants!! They may be squawking, but they JUST DON'T understand. Don't be bullied by the media attention they get--- do the right thing and explain to the taxpaying public. Maintain your ground!! / TTC: Why are we so antiquated when it comes to administering fare revenue compared to other REAL world-class cities?? Why do we pay people in booths both exorbitant union wages AND pensions to be selling us TTC fares? Why do we spend so much on printing tickets and tokens? We should move to a refillable (magnetized) card system dispensed by MACHINES. We should also move to a pay-as-you-use fee. Why should one subway stop ride cost the same as a trip from Scarborough to downtown? A card system would also help ensure the SECURITY of bus drivers-----there should be NO MONEY at all on buses!! This is a security risk for the bus drivers and it is also a security risk for TTC revenue; it is not necessary in this day and age that so many (employee) hands touch the revenue. An automated card system would ameliorate the operation of the TTC in many ways. / Another thought regarding the TTC: I was on a subway car last week. There was coffee all over the floor rendering one whole side of the car slippery and dangerous. It made me think: In this day and age of cell phone use, every subway car and every bus should have a number, posted visibly inside and outside the subway car/bus. There should be a phone number (like 911, but unique to the TTC) where TTC users can phone in safety, security, maintenance deficiencies, vandalism, what have you AND cell phones should work in the subway!!!! Come on Toronto, cell phones work in every 'first class' city I have ever travelled in! Providing the TTC users with the immediate opportunity to report problems would enhance the service and efficiency and safety of TTC operations. / Administering the courts: "No shows" at traffic court get away with a lot. There should be stiff penalties for abusing the court's time. Additionally, while court translators should be CERTIFIED translators, the COST to hire a translator should be borne by the user, NOT the city, as it currently is!!!! I happen to know that if a defendant does not show up for court when a translator has been appointed, the city will pay for the translator EACH time the translator shows up, without penalty to a no-show defendant, who may be delinquent multiple times for the same charge! Additionally, the judges will NEGOTIATE down the fines based on defendants' hardship stories which are largely unsubstantiated. There should be no negotiation for fines, based on posted rates.</p>

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8.	Maintaining and improving our city requires an investment, and I think that if people see improvements in services and a service attitude they will be content to pay for it - it's when you have the combination of increasing costs and deteriorating City services that people get unhappy! We have a wonderful public library system that should serve as a model for other city services: great service, clean and modern and friendly, and open to all without user fees. When the end result is that great, it's easy to feel like it's worth it. By contrast, when you're paying ever increasing fares on the TTC and dealing with service disruptions, filthy stations and (some) rude staff, the combination is really unappealing. / / With social housing I wonder if there are opportunities for more mixed-income developments, where the housing is pleasant, and people may pay market rents or receive subsidies depending on their income. I grew up in one of these in another province, and it meant that the housing itself was nicer than what you see here. In addition, whether my parent was working or not, we didn't have to move, it just affected how much was paid in rent. / / With childcare, I don't understand why there are a limited number of subsidized spots, leading to a long waitlist. In BC, any spot in an approved daycare (institutional or home care) can be a subsidized spot - it seems to me this would remove some strain on city services.
9.	sell surplus land, sell the long term care and retirement homes, sell the day care centres, sell every unit in community housing
10.	When condo or building developments are being built, they should be contributing 10% towards low-income housing buildings within their area!
11.	Make the province take back all the services dumped on cities in the 1990s under the Mike Harris regime. The province and/or federal government should be responsible for environment, policing, healthcare, housing, public transit, roads, and infrastructure.
12.	Land transfer taxes should be scaled to the net gain on the resale of a property by the length of time the owner possessed the property. People who flip properties for vast sums of money over short periods of time should be forced to pay extra tax on the sale of the property. This will keep the housing market in check and keep home ownership at a reasonable level for first time buyers and fixed income purchasers.
13.	Efforts must be continued to get the provincial government to upload services like social assistance, and to get both senior levels of government to contribute more toward public transit and social housing.
14.	The city should only fund and carried out core services and get out of welfare and housing.
15.	Public housing should be moved out of the city centre which has the potential for high income for the city.
16.	Have province reassume responsibilities for housing. Have provincial and feds contribute to regional transportation services

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17.	- much effort must be expended in gaining funding from the federal government for homeless issues and affordable housing. Homelessness is a national problem - many if not most of the homeless in Toronto are from elsewhere, and the funding for them must be
18.	Uploading responsibilities related to income redistribution, like social services and affordable housing, to the Province. Property Taxes should not be used to fund social programs.
19.	How come the city's increased development in housing and overall increase in housing prices hasn't offset some of the costs of services. There are way more building and crowded people here that should all be contributing to the taxes and it doesn't seem to be reflected in the increases. If you charged a parking lot x dollars in tax that is now a high rise with 1600 units all collecting taxes why don't we see revenues from that, basically how can we be so overcrowded but not be getting more taxes from it ?
20.	Core, traditional services must be maintained through general tax revenue (libraries, parks, police, etc). The City should be working closely with the Federal and Provincial government to establish new program funding for many of the downloaded services (welfare, community housing, etc).
21.	The police do not need an 11.5% pay increase or paid-duty guarding construction sites. Not when services are being cut to people who genuinely need them. / / The TTC relies too heavily on user fees to the point where the fares are completely unaffordable to those on a limited income. The service needs more investment/funding from the public sector, much like in other cities across North America. / / Contracting out garbage services is nothing but union-busting. It would be cheaper to keep it in the city's control in the long run. Better a city union than bowing to the pressures and demands of a private, for-profit company. / / There needs to be more affordable housing and improvements made to TCHC buildings. The conditions in many buildings are awful, full of bedbugs and needing repairs. People are evicted due to "oversights" or complete lack of involvement of city staff, "just doing their jobs" or because of the reasons they need public housing in the first place (addiction, mental health, age/dementia). Treating TCHC residents with a little dignity would go so far. / /
22.	Make people pay for services that are not essential. Increase user fees instead of general property tax increases that make people pay for services they do not use. Community housing funding, free daycare, disabled and extra senior services should be cut first. these are things that people can pay for themselves as they are personal responsibilities not community responsibilities.
23.	get after the feds and province to give us back our fair share of HST collected here , Immigration settlement funds, etc / Charge user fees for all 400 series highways / Have those who received subsidized housing, welfare , subsidized child care pay it back , over time , once they no longer qualify due to income in excess.

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24.	Many of these questions present false options. Homes for the aged, public health, social services and housing for example are all funded by multiple levels of government and have specific regulations regarding allowable fees, cost sharing and accountabilities. In addition, some services such as public health are essential and not subject of negotiation. It would have been fairer to ask about how the city should relate to the province or federal governments regarding these services.
25.	Basic city services and institutions (water, public transportation, 911/EMS, garbage collection and processing, maintenance, police, housing, licensing/permits, libraries, inspections etc) MUST be run by the city. There is no way that services like these can be contracted out without compromising quality. It makes us look cheap if we can't afford to run our own services. / The City of Toronto gainfully employs many people and I don't mind sharing a little bit more in property taxes if it means that those people get to keep their jobs and remain prosperous. Sometimes you have to pay a little more to get better results.
26.	The city of Toronto should upload all those services that were downloaded by Mike Harris and are the responsibility of the Province of Ontario (such as the 401, welfare and housing, FSL/ESL and integration of recent immigrants, etc)
27.	paying an extra \$200/yr on my property is a great deal if we could improve the services already offered by the city. Let's aim to be the best, healthiest most equitable and profitable city in the world. What this survey doesn't ask is - do you think the province or federal government should help pay for this service (such as health care or housing for lo income people) I would have said yes to that. This city has to fight to make the other levels of government who have access to other taxation methods to pay for their share of the cost of maintaining a healthy and safe society. As well this survey does not ask about increasing services until the last question. I don't think there is enough money being spent on the environment, trees and parks in Toronto - I want services in that area increased! I also want affordable housing and childcare spaces increased! I want support for artist live/work spaces increased! I want work on neighbourhood centred composting in recycling so we don't need as many diesel spewing trucks running down our roads every week. I want MORE citizen engagement. Engage the people and see how we take some of the load off staff, you don't need to contract out you need to engage the citizens in their neighbourhoods to help find solutions to the city problems. / / This survey is a good first step (although some of the questions were unreadable on Firefox) - but it looks like it's a way for Ford to force citizen to assume we need to contract out services or raise property taxes - to get the SAME services we are already getting. This is dishonest, there are other ways to raise money for some of the services, but it means negotiating with other level of governments or fighting for another source of income for the city (i.e. percentage of HST). As well Toronto property taxes are the lowest in the GTA! It's the ridiculous housing prices that are the real problem - we need to focus on that issue! / / I hope you ask for my contact info and keep in touch with me about how this survey is used



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28.	once and for all lets use ford nation to get the money and respect toronto so richly deserves by uploading housing, courts I would say to the premier and prime minster hers the keys good luck we cant afford to carry the provinces costs any more as are good jobs disappear
29.	property tax base, upload programs to province like social services and housing
30.	City should rely on user fees for finite and exclusive services. Property taxes should be used for core City services. Employment and Social services, Child care and Pubic Housing should be funded by the Province. TTC should be funded by a mix of user fees, federal and provincial funds. Non core services should be reduced.
31.	None of the preceding questions on service provision addresses cost efficiency - zero based budgeting. / /   also believe that the city should make some choices around what businesses it should or needs to be in and which of the services it currently provides should be left to other levels of government or the private sector, examples - the parking lot business and the subsidized housing business.
32.	The city should stop relaying on increasing property taxes to provide services. It is unfair to increase taxes to only a portion of Torontonians (those that own property) to provide service to everyone. Those who rent are not contributing to paying for the services as they don't own property and yet receive and use many of these services. Property owners are not even using some of these services such as low income housing. Property owners are paying for services such as these them but not even using them, those who are using them are not contributing to them.
33.	The city should start getting more money for social housing from the province.
34.	Charge tolls on roads. Sell off affordable housing units. Sell the TTC. Sell libraries
35.	This survey is very biased. We value public services and want all families to have safe, secure and good jobs. Services need to stay public so that people and our communities are put ahead of profits. Housing, child care, community programs, art programs is our right. Contracting out would go to the lowest bidder and profit becomes the goal and not what is best for our communities. SAVE OUR CITY! who's streets...our streets....whose money and services our services...not the corporation and private companies. We care about the quality of life we live in this city and the city needs to take care of all the people not just the rich ones.
36.	I am mobile (self-employed internet business) and have financial ability to live in nearly any city in the world. Toronto already has a reasonable quality level of most services I find important and very low cost of living compared to Paris, San Diego, San Francisco, Madrid, Frankfurt, and London (locations I have lived for 3 months or more in the last 5 years; while maintaining my primary residence in Toronto). / / I can assure you that when considering a location to live, property taxes don't show up on the list of concerns. Primary concerns include income/sales tax, cost of housing, greenspace/parks/walkability, food quality/price, vibe/events/public realm, airport access and direct flight routes, susceptibility to disasters (natural and man-made).

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37.	Eliminate or reduce many of our inefficient social services such as welfare and community housing. The majority of users/employees are taking advantage our social safety net (overspending, wasting tax payer money, contributing to crime etc..) and those who are truly in dire need have to live in substandard conditions due to gross mismanagement of upper level employees and fraud committed by citizens abusing the system.
38.	It seems like some of these services should be the jurisdiction of the feds or provinces - such as: provincial law courts, social assistance/employment programs (HRSDC), even public health? I would check for duplication of services as compared to the other levels of government, before you increase user fees or taxes; are we paying for the same thing twice? Were some things downloaded that should not have been? Reduce waste in public housing and shelters! Duplication caused by too many agencies?
39.	Sell off more public housing located in high-value neighbourhoods. / Install toll booths on 401, 404 and Gardiner Expressway for those who commute into city, use our roads, and don't pay property taxes to maintain them.
40.	The City should be entering into immediate discussions with the Federal and Provincial governments in order to find ways to provide long-term stable funding for such items as social services, environmental services, affordable housing and public transit for examples. This revenue could come from an increase in the gas taxes or HST diverted to all of Canada's large cities. The cities that now house 80% of Canada's population require a new deal that recognizes that these cities are the economic generators of Canada. Public transit in order to address automobile produced gridlock and environmental degradation is an immediate priority. It should be paid for additionally by increased road taxes - tolls - on the use of automobiles in large cities such as Toronto.
41.	Housing, Social Services and transportation should be funded by the province and Feds, NOT by the city. Transportation tax and toll roads should be encouraged. Rapid transit preferred over subway. The proposed subway services are too expensive for a relatively low number of new users.
42.	continue advocating for more provincial and federal funding for transit public housing and social services

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43.	The city should immediately upload services to the province that are the province's responsibility. The province did not ask or wait for the city to agree to take on these services - I don't think the city should wait for the province to take them back. That means, courts, welfare, social housing and employment should be immediately handed back to the province. Furthermore, the size of the police force and the amount of money being paid to officers should be reduced. Statistics have shown year after year that crime is decreasing in the city therefore we do not need more police - we need less of them. Also we do not need police at construction sites - that should be eliminated immediately. Parking fees should be increased by a minimum 50% to discourage traffic into the city and money from parking fees should be used to help fund transit. The number of managers at the city should be reduced by 25% - 50% and the money redirected into hiring front line staff who actually deliver the city's services. All community centres, ice rinks, parks and theatres should be run by community boards not by city staff. The city should stop doing studies that then sit on the shelf and gather dust. A study should only be carried out if the city will commit to acting on the recommendations before hand e.g. if a study is carried out that shows that bike lanes on Bloor Street is a good idea, than the city should put in bike lanes on Bloor Street. The city has boxes full of studies that were completely but never acted on.
44.	Decrease funding to the Police services armoury. Less billions dollar sound cannons; more affordable housing.
45.	Property tax percentage does not need to increase since housing values increase. Basic economics. If you don't know that, quit and let someone do the job who knows how math works.
46.	The City of Toronto doesn't operate in a vacuum! Your survey is flawed. Uploading the costs to the provincial government should have been listed as one of the options for some of the services including those related to maintaining the operations of the provincial courts and social assistance. Further, uploading the costs of public housing and social assistance administration to the provincial and/or federal governments are other options that should have been included in your survey.

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47.	<p>Operate like every other company and Fortune 500 organization, cut your own costs!! Look at how much waste is in the police force, and the recent unveiling of the misspending and poor investments made at community housing! Invest in a good consultant company to assess all processes, divisions and workflows, bring the bid to tender and pay them based on every dollar saved or some metric to tie in the results. To 'pass the buck' once again to tax-payers for City Hall's poor mismanagement is just wrong. I work in sales selling to hospitals and if I can draw on an analogy here: For 5.5years I sold to Fortune 500 companies and have now moved to the hospital sector. I was APPALED at the manual, workflows, the redundancy of labour having 4 people do the job of 1 person, the bureaucracy , the laborious expensive processes in-place, no blue chip company would operate like this. If they did, they would go under. I think the city is operating (no pun) like a hospital! Just like they have shareholders, you have tax payers to answer to. YOUR MISMANGEMENT SHOULD NOT BE OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO COMPENSATE FOR / Look within yourself before you cut our services that we pay for and before you hike our costs. Take a fiscally responsible position and run it like a business - You're operations are a joke. Cut out the misspending, the bottom line. Hire a consultant company to do it if you have to but any professional will tell you that all the funding you need and more is already within City Hall. /</p>
48.	<p>There needs to be a balance between user fees and property tax. A lot of young families are simply moving to the suburbs and paying taxes there simply because housing is too expensive in Toronto. If property taxes were higher, many elderly would have to move into smaller dwellings from their bigger dwellings, which would allow younger families in need of a house to be able to live in the city of Toronto.</p>
49.	<p>Community building services (such as community centres and libraries) are a fundamental part of having citizens connect and care about their city. The isolation that exists among many residents leads to a disconnect from the city and thus from the services it offers because many people do not see or understand how those services are important especially when they don't use them or know anyone that does. / Any service that encourages community integration should be a top priority and that includes low-income housing and financial assistance to residents so that they have the time and well-being to participate in the community.</p>
50.	<p>Prioritize services that meet the basic needs of citizens. TTC, Garbage Collection, Safety, Housing, and Education.</p>

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51.	<p>The choices the city makes, the decisions regarding what services are funded and what services are cut can have lasting effects on the individual. Having been a young single mother I made the choice to go back to school, university, to better myself for my daughter and society. During this time I had to rely on OSAP to help cover the costs of schooling, housing, food, and daycare for my daughter. For 2 years I was on the waitlist for childcare subsidy for daycare and I never did receive it before finishing my studies. I very successfully completed my studies, however, I am now \$28000 in debt, all from OSAP. Luckily the government has forgiven half of my debt (it was approx. \$40000). However, almost \$20000 of my debt solely went to cover my childcare expenses because I had no other options. I think it is disgusting that I had to use my loan money to cover the costs of a service the city should have been supporting me with. I would never had needed such a huge loan had I received the subsidy that I believe all low income parents are entitled to. How does the city plan to foster growth and opportunity when they do not support their citizens. Without OSAP, where would my daughter and I be? I often wonder if I would have better off not going to school at all, sure I have an education now but with the job market collapsing and my owing \$28000, the future looks bleak. My story is one of many and I do recognize that there are citizens out there that are experiencing so much more difficulty in trying to stay on top or get ahead but it appears that it is becoming more and more difficult to do so. Nothing is black and white, some fees will have to increase, some services likely cut, but I ask the city to imagine what they want our society to look like in 20years and to really think about what choices they make.</p>
52.	<p>While the private sector can do a good, efficient and economical job of delivering some of the services now provided by the City, the paramount criterion in determining who should deliver a service is the important of the service for the well-being of the residents of the City. Some services are so important in this regard that they should not leave the public sector (public transit, social housing, public health and welfare, and security are examples). With respect to financing of services, if specific groups or individuals are not the overwhelming users of a service, then user fees must be viewed with scepticism; because the property tax (even though not very progressive) is better when there is a general interest in or benefit from a service.</p>
53.	<p>Some services like affordable housing, social services, managing provincial court offences should be paid for by the province, not the city (or at least, province should transfer sufficient funds for city to administer these services).</p>
54.	<p>The City deserves a bigger share from the provincial government. Housing was downloaded onto us by the province, and it costs a lot to manage it. We manage a lot of revenue-generating services that are important for our future, and we need to be getting more back from our provincial tax. Toronto generates a lot for the province, and is the most populated city.</p>
55.	<p>1) Lottery that goes to providing services. / 2) tax Incentives for low incoming housing development / 3) Paid Advertising on public buildings, buses and street cars / 4) Adopt a Park / name a brick / or similar community programs /</p>

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56.	The city should put pressure on upper levels of government to provide funding for services with regional implications (such as transportation), and services where Toronto has a disproportionately high demand compared to other municipalities (such as affordable housing).
57.	Where possible contract out some services to non- profit charitable organizations for some childcare, housing and other social services.
58.	The city should be offering cheap housing for families in need that meets health and safety standards and has quality. People are not going to want to move out of the shelter system if they are not moving into a space that matches the same quality and only the city can mimic its own quality. Privatizing housing makes an essential service become a business where the goal is to make money and save money by cutting corners and offering poor quality with no laws or responsibilities to govern them
59.	I think you should not always default to contracting services out. There is less transparency with this and services are often reduced or not delivered as well as they would be if the city was handling them. Further, user fees are not always a good idea - unless you are doing a means test to determine the users income. In the question about services for homeless people, you ask if user fees should be increased - homeless people don't have money for user fees. Further, while paying more property tax is not an ideal solution, if you contract all of these services out you will have many many people who once made a decent wage (with the City) making way less if hired by the contracting company, or they will have to find a new job altogether. While some will be happy that property taxes are the same, the property taxes are going to be too much for those who are without jobs due to the cutbacks (let alone gas prices, housing costs, and food costs). So you are trading the wellbeing of those in the private sector for the wellbeing of those who work in the public sector.
60.	essential services first: TTC, EMS, FIRE, POLICE ( w/ reduced officers and helicopters, more community engagement opportunities, changes in police training), HOUSING (low income)... then social and recreation services - especially for low income families and individuals. Property taxes for services like public health and garbage; user fees (for those who can afford them) for fun stuff - like CNE, zoo etc... Also - can businesses get something back for contributing to city coffers (not politician's) - like for example: if TD donates the cost of street clean up post pride celebrations, maybe they get a free billboard on the Gardiner for a month acknowledging their 'partnership' or something??

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61.	<p>Force the libraries to become places for help and education again. Force them to fix their collection and stop providing parties for teens, play areas for screaming children and video game internet club houses. Make them start caring more about providing good people with books, study areas etc. They have changed the library system so much its sad. Libraries don't even have classics sections! Spread all of their librarians around and stop having them clustered only in the comfortable neighbourhoods. Why do high needs areas have the least staff. Force library staff to spread out to provide equal quality service. / Don't give in to community centres. These are places for people to suck up tax dollars. We shouldn't pay taxes for people to HANG OUT! Instead send this money to affordable housing, whip the libraries back into shape so that kids have homes and they end up going to libraries (that are regulated for quiet enjoyment) and make something of themselves.. Unfortunately, if they go to a library now, they aren't even told to behave themselves. If library staff were to revert back to being a mature role model for the city, many of the costs for community centre's, social services could be handled by them. They have the qualifications. But unfortunately they don't spread their staff fairly. Plus, their computer systems always break down and the nice worker (at least at my branch) just gets snubbed by their tech department. (I once forced the nice lad to phone them in front of me). Cut managers down all across the board. Too many chiefs here and they just scam their way through everything.</p>
62.	<p>City should examine duplication of effort - e.g. Shelter Housing, Affordable Housing, TCHC all provide similar service - this should be combined to avoid duplication of work, especially in the administrative and support areas for these departments (payroll clerks, IT support, finance, communications)</p>
63.	<p>1. stop overtime / 2. privatise non core services (e.g.. housing, policing of housing, day cares, building cleaning, golf courses) / 3. bring in youth in management. 20-30 years city experienced managers have lost touch and afraid to make changes</p>
64.	<p>I chose to answer "in-depth" questions on Environmental Programs, assuming I could indicate that I believe roads, transit, water, parks, forestry, maintenance, affordable housing, are all forms of environmental programs. We desperately need an integrates approach to social and environmental equity that involves ALL city services. This likely requires increased investments; and it CLEARLY involves participation of other levels of government and the income tax bases. I feel like I've answered these questions, first under very strict and artificial constraints; second in a vacuum. The city's finances have been unsustainable at least since 1996 and the downloading exercise that has primarily screwed low-income people by cutting the services they rely on and charging them more for what's left. Let's not be cute and pretend we can fix these problems with a "service review."</p>
65.	<p>Please increase the cleaning of our streets and parks, perhaps the city should look at exchanging social services (such as housing, shelter, and meals) for time cleaning our city, removing graffiti etc.</p>

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66.	<p>The answers allowed were not detailed enough for me to give my views accurately in a number of areas. For example: in the questions as to who should deliver services, the options were City OR Contract Out. However, it was not clear whether contract out included both private sector *and* community not for profits. There are a number of areas in which I think it would be good for the city to transfer services from City staff to Community Not For Profits (i.e. some community recreation programs, homeless services such as shelters and street outreach, housing for low income Torontonians, etc.), but where contracting out to for profit providers would be a terrible idea. There was no way in the survey for me to clearly state my views on this, which forced me to say that services should stay with the City even where I believe they would be better provided by the non-profit sector. / / Service Areas where it would be good to look at moving services to the *non-profit* sector in order to keep high quality services at some cost savings to the City (and likely reductions in user fees as well) would include: Community-Run Community Centres, Recreation and Community Centres, City-run LTCH and Services for Seniors, Community-led Heritage programs, Shelter, Support and Housing for homeless and low-income people, and Childcare.</p>
67.	<p>The councillors should freeze their salaries, The city should freeze/reduce the ridiculous salary of the police or OUTSOURCE the police force to reduce the cost. The money saved should go toward creating programs for at risk youth and build more community centres and increase affordable housing. This will reduce the crime levels</p>
68.	<p>Services are not a black hole into which money disappears. When well spent and managed, money that is invested in city services pays dividends, like any other investment. Communities with access to public health services, childcare, housing, transit are communities that are healthy and productive. This benefits all of us. / / Furthermore, providing quality city services is also a job creator -- and these are GOOD jobs. Employing someone at an equitable wage with good benefits is another way to invest in the citizens of our cities. These wages go into families and communities, they're spent at local businesses, and they contribute to the economic and social growth of our city. They contribute far more than money funnelled to private corporations, all while providing better and more accountable services to our citizens and taxpayers.</p>
69.	<p>The federal and provincial governments should be heavily funding municipalities, particularly in the area of infrastructure, health care, social housing and social services. Failing that, property taxes should be the City's prime source of funding, with some user fees.</p>
70.	<p>Pressure the provincial and federal governments to contribute to transit and housing plans.</p>



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71.	Public Health services has a lot of wastage and is not well run. Make this department more lean and responsive. / don't penalize people that live in Toronto for bad management decisions of city council. / Keep this city safe, clean and manageable. Why not tax businesses more instead of residents who live on low incomes or housing under 400K
72.	I think there needs to be fundamental changes made into how Toronto views its residents before we can decide how to fund services. Understanding that for a city to thrive, it needs art, culture and affordable transportation, education and housing for all is key. If vulnerable people are given the opportunity to succeed, we'll all benefit from that in the long run.
73.	There are other ways to fund services, other than increasing property taxes and increasing user fees. Invest more in industries that provide the city more revenues, like festivals and Pride, and Carribana. Invest more in these and in increasing tourism. Increase property taxes only for those whose incomes allow for it. Property value is not necessarily an accurate assessment of current wealth. Claim abandoned properties and houses whose owners are just sitting on, and flip them. Renovate and use them for social housing, and work on that ridiculous housing waiting list. Tax large corporations and organizations who make inordinate profits in our city, tax them more. Give working people, struggling people, and unemployed people a break. Help them find work and reduce user fees for them to use services. Tax privately owned prisons, and reduce the incarceration rate and prison populations. This costs us more than anything else in this state. If this isn't a municipal issue, then lobby the provincial or federal governments for this. Let that increased revenue "trickle-down". / / This survey was so limited in scope or funding options. It was disappointing and obvious in its privatization bent. We are waiting to see if this survey will have any effect whatsoever in decision-making. Make the results public and have them reviewed by an impartial third-party.
74.	Ask that the provincial and federal government take more financial responsibility for housing and social assistance.
75.	You have loaded this questionnaire in a manner that exonerates the Federal and Provincial government responsibilities for funding affordable housing, ODSP, OW, public health, TTC, Courts. This is a cowardly approach and dishonest. Make the higher orders of government pay their portion!!!!!!
76.	The city should reduce services to prevent us from paying any more in taxes. If people want services to be kept, they can pay user fees - but only people using that service should be charged the user fee. User fees from one service should not be used to fund other services (e.g., TTC fees should not be used to fund Toronto Community Housing).
77.	Bring back the vehicle registration tax and the land transfer tax! Increase the billboard tax! Push for a portion of the gas tax! Get the federal government to take responsibility for housing and transit!

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78.	I found the questionnaire biased towards reducing government services. Questions about user fees for housing services or poverty services are ridiculous. There were virtually no questions about increasing services which is the main problem for Torontonians right now.
79.	Some services should be supported by other levels of government. TTC, public housing, social services, poverty reduction, major infrastructure should be funded by provincial and federal levels of government.
80.	The city needs to plan long term and look for long term savings. It also needs to invest in the city, it's people and to protect the vulnerable so everyone may contribute and live in a city that accommodates diversity, health, education and kindness to people. It is cruel to remove homes from the most vulnerable people when the sale of the homes will not improve housing in the long-term. It is cruel when homes and programs are removed from the city, are not accessible and affordable. The reduced service will weaken vulnerable families and this is negative both in the short and long term for the city as a whole. The city needs to listen to all the people in the city and stop with the bullying it practises now by making uninformed decisions and showing no concern for the long term impact on people and families who struggle.
81.	Toronto has been an innovator and leader in many areas, notably the environment, public health, public housing, planning, etc. Through the City's leadership the private sector has followed suit. Examples: the non-smoking campaign; Green development standards; the better Building Partnership; most recently, the downtown banks have launched an initiative, "Race to Reduce" CO2 emissions which would not have happened without the City's leadership in this area; we must not destroy what has taken many years to achieve. our property taxes are lower than those of many cities. Let's increase them and keep offering relief to those who cannot afford them, i.e.. seniors on fixed incomes.
82.	Higher corporate taxes / road tax for inner city vehicles / Higher taxation on large-scale real estate development/condos / reduce infrastructure and affordable housing costs by making them requirements to large-scale building permits / reduce police expenditure / privatize LCBO (I know this is provincial, but maybe in the GTA?) /
83.	introduce road toll / retain and/or increase land transfer tax / reinstate vehicle registration tax / increase corporate property tax rate (e.g. financial sector) / introduce an inheritance tax / advocate to retain 1% of HST for municipal governments / pursue remuneration for hosting G20 / divest from mounted division of Toronto Police Services / increase productivity of police force (i.e. decrease number of police per capita) / restrict allowable police overtime and police monopoly on providing security to roadwork / get more money from province for TTC, housing and social services
84.	The city should also be talking to senior levels of government about the lack of adequate funding for Toronto. Social housing is just one example.

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85.	I would see it proper for Toronto to eliminate public housing within the city as well as entitlement programs and services catering to disadvantaged groups, in particular youth, as a means of establishing a sustainable budget for the long term.
86.	Property taxes should be scaled on income levels, with the highest income levels paying the most property tax. This would increase tax revenue, as well as help with affordable housing for lower income earners.
87.	In thinking about how the City should fund services, it is not just a matter of increasing property tax and user fees. But how the budget is allocated is also taken into consideration. For example, the police service budget has continued to increase over time. Why doesn't the City can allocate this increase to other essential services such as affordable housing or public transportation? Also, other revenue sources than property tax and user fees exist. The City should stand up for getting funding back that have been cut by the Provincial Government or fair distribution of tax revenues. Or based on the City of Toronto Act, the City can increase tax revenues, not tax cut.
88.	much higher property tax for expensive housing
89.	This is an extremely flawed survey and I find the use of the language "I don't care" appalling when we're talking about services that impact hundreds of thousands of people in a very significant way (TTC, affordable housing, etc.) The City is responsible for continuing to provide the services that it currently provides. Why is it, exactly, that we're looking at a deficit? What ideologically-based decisions has the Mayor and the executive made that are in NO WAY FINANCIALLY SOUND (ex. privatization of services like garbage collection, subway building vs. light rail, etc.)? User fees for those who cannot afford to pay are not an effective way to provide services for residents. / / The City can fund services by: introducing a car tax, NOT building any more subway lines and opting for less expensive light rail, taxing developers who do not include any social housing in new housing developments, lobbying at the provincial and federal levels for the uploading of responsibilities or more funding, etc.

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90.	<p>I think that it is important to, in part, concentrate not on where the new money will come from, but to review and reflect on how the money that is there is currently being used. / / What builds a city, one that is prosperous, diverse and respected, is not greater police presence. It is not more parking lots. / / These things are of course important to a degree. But what builds a real city that works is investment in communities. Investing in community run initiatives and projects is the best (and often cheapest) way to improve and sustain a healthy city. It often costs very little to run these projects, with great and lasting benefit to communities and their inhabitants. Of course there are a great many of these that need funding. I respect that it is not the best of economic times. But arts, and community, and heritage, and our children - concentrating on these build cities that people can live in. A city that not just runs efficiently, but operates with respect for its citizens. A city that recognizes that all people, if given half a chance, want to contribute what they can and make a positive difference in their own lives, and the lives of those around them. In saying this, we must remember that, although absolutely important, there are other ways to make a positive difference in someone's life than by giving them a job. / / So here is how you should fund services: fund the arts. Fund communities. Fund programs like community gardens and senior in-home services. Fund low-income housing projects, and shelters. / / When you fund these things, the city will naturally grow and prosper. Help people to help themselves - and they will. Make the city a beautiful place to live in with an activity community presence in all areas - and crime will go down. Expand art programs and fund artists - and they will help with the beautification process, help to turn around downtrodden areas, and uplift lives when that uplifting is needed most. Fund literacy programs, and don't make overly rigid and baseless demands for accountability - let them do what they do best, and people will learn, and again, they will help themselves. Fund seniors at home - and save thousands upon thousands when they are not forced to move into a senior retirement or long-term care facility, and even more when they are encouraged to remain contributing members of their community. Fund community gardens and education programs and realize that people with low-income need the chance to help themselves retain healthy eating habits, often rendered impossible by food bank handouts and money consumed by rent and clothing. Save money in the long run, again - drains on the health system and a generation of malnourished children. / / There are dozens of studies that show of these things, and people like Jane Jacobs who have gone absolutely blue in the face trying to explain it. / / Not that anyone is listening now, but I add my voice to hers and others like her. Maybe one day we'll be heard.</p>
91.	<p>The province and feds should be responsible for social programs. Incent the private sector to develop quality housing. Encourage and help citizens to develop programs to help those in need. Increase taxes if needed.</p>
92.	<p>Province should pay for many large items, e.g. affordable housing</p>

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93.	Public Health, seniors and daycare should be provincially and federally funded, as should most of public housing and support for the homeless - all this should come out of income and corporate taxes.
94.	1. Look for efficiency of services rather than cost-cutting. / 2. Get the other levels of govt to fund their fair share. Provincial downloading and during the Harris govt years has devastated Toronto's finances. So get the Province to pay up (e.g. TTC, social housing, Provincial Court Services) / 3. Fed govt funds to cities amount to 2%. The Fed govt must contribute more. The Mayor and City Council and the Federation of Municipalities must pressure Ottawa for drastically increased funding. / 4. I have extensive training in survey design. This one is very poorly designed and as a result will yield inadequate data and the data will be almost impossible to accurately interpret. The questionnaire was not user friendly and excluded many people who do not or cannot use computers (e.g. people who are poor, those with certain disabilities). / 5. This survey is biased towards cutting costs instead of other solution. /
95.	Road tolls to fund public transit / Reduce off paid duty police services / Re-instate vehicle registration tax / lobby to receive 1% of HST sales tax / Advocate for more money from federal/provincial govt's esp. childcare, transit, affordable housing
96.	Negotiate with the Province for certain services such as housing, TTC.
97.	Should negotiate with province for \$ for TTC (operating), housing should be uploaded to the province, should not review services that cost the city less than 2% of total budget.
98.	The real problem for Toronto has been caused by downloading from the PC Provincial Government under Mike Harris e.g. subsidized housing and social assistance. This may have been revenue neutral in smaller towns, but in a city like Toronto with a much higher % of social housing and poverty property tax base can never adequately support the cost of these services. There needs to be concerted effort to redress the downloading issue.
99.	The City needs to investigate income-based taxes. The Vehicle Registration Tax should come back -- it was the same as a tank or a tank-and-a-half of gas -- if you can't afford an extra tank of gas per year, you can't afford a vehicle. Also, the City and the residents need to work with other levels of government to appropriately fund public transit, policing for major events, administration of welfare, social housing, etc. / / We all benefit from a well-administered urban environment that takes care of residents (NOT tax-payers or citizens, residents) and helps everyone to feel valued and included.

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100.	<p>Collect the back taxes owed by large corporations, even if it means ceasing their assets and/or putting them in jail. I have been threatened for being behind in paying taxes. She threatened to take my house away and I owed very little, especially when compared to what these corporations have owed for years. Also, we must fight to get the Federal and Provincial governments to give back the transfer payments to our city. As well, clamp down on those taking advantage of things like low-cost housing. I know of many who are able to pay more as circumstances change but live in low-cost housing for years without ever being detected. Get rid of many unions and pay workers what jobs are worth, never mind all these accumulated sick days, outrageous wages, job security, etc. No-one in the private sector gets these benefits so why should someone without an education collecting garbage where the truck does most of the work get these perks and high wages, often higher than the wage of a person who went to college or university? I also feel that lowering taxes will encourage people to spend more money. I also disagree with having to get a license for a pet if that pet already has a microchip or tattoo which can be read by equipment at the Humane Society. I was told this is for those who can't afford to pay for their lost pet's care, but why should I pay for that? My pets are spayed/neutered and have been microchipped. It's not reasonable for the middle class to always pay the most while those who refuse to work or get paid under the table to get everything free for years, and the rich to get away w/ having loopholes so they pay little in taxes, get double pensions and corporations owe back taxes and nobody forces them to pay what they owe. It's a very unbalanced system. And don't sell off assets which have money coming in year-round for a one-time income which, once received and spent, is no longer a good source of revenue.</p>
101.	<p>Both the federal and provincial governments need to assume more responsibility to fund services e.g. TTC and Affordable Housing. / City needs to develop new user taxes. It was utterly stupid to cancel the vehicle tax.</p>
102.	<p>Continue to ask Provincial and Federal Governments for money. I think most people would agree to pay more taxes to fund services. I wonder if major corporations, instead of funding sporting events, etc, would like to fund housing repairs for city housing. Each one could 'adopt a family' whose home they would fix up in ways specified by the city. No family names would be used. / I want to take this opportunity to say that the in-depth questions are not answerable because in many cases it is comparing apples and oranges, or it is not possible to figure out without knowing the specific circumstances that might pertain to that sector. For example, I know a lot about transit but could not ethically pretend to answer those questions. The same with certain other parts of the questionnaire. You may not have intended it to be so, but it was slanted and the possible answers did not include what I would have answered. Feel free to contact me if you want my opinion.</p>

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103.	<p>Yes, an increase in taxation is required to fund city services, however, what really needs to happen is negotiation with the provincial and federal governments to ensure recognition for increased funding to urban Canadian centres is provided. Instead of contracting out to the private sector as a solution, the city needs to ensure the federal government regains more control over municipal services. Canada is an increasingly urbanized space and the federal government needs to recognize its responsibility. For instance, this survey only provides an either/or scenario when a third option is clearly present. For many services such as affordable housing, childcare, services for the homeless, all of these services can be governed and funded by a national affordable housing program and a national subsidized daycare program. That is where the negotiation should be happening. We need to look at large-scale investment in cities, not small-scale cutting. That will not provide a long-term sustainable solution.</p>
104.	<p>More public private partnerships for public transportation and affordable housing. Reduce dependence on OMB to solve city building disputes to save money on lawyer/omb fees. Use TIEGs more, increase residential property tax. User fees. Toll road for people living outside of the city to enter the city. Push the provincial and federal government to provide more money and more reliable streams of money to cover services such as affordable housing, transit etc. that were downloaded to the government. Invest in green technologies that will pay for themselves in the long run. Continue to use section 37.</p>
105.	<p>Rob Ford campaigned that he would not cut city services. This entire survey is very obviously a ploy to "justify" the cuts he will continue to make. It's very disingenuous / Cities are at a disadvantage relative to the province and feds, but that doesn't mean you should turn on your residents. Increasing user fees removes the universal elements that make things like our health care system possible. It was run that way because we invest collectively and we all benefit. We will never benefit to exactly the same degree, but I'm okay with paying property tax that funds shelters for the homeless even though I hope to never need that service myself. We should all be funding city services through our taxes. That was the arrangement. I am NOT okay with paying taxes that then go toward privatized contracted out services - like garbage in Etobicoke - that then go to companies who pay their employees less, with fewer benefits and often no pensions - what kind of example is this city giving as an employer?? A crappy one if we keep heading in this direction. Government, including City, have the opportunity to provide employment and needed services. What's wrong with that? Public services delivered by public servants means people are paid fair wages and can afford the crazy cost of housing in this city. They spend their money reinvesting in this city like we all do when we eat, live and shop here.</p>

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106.	I am concerned that issues that are part of what makes the city unique will be contracted out. I do not want to see our incredible animal services cut, arts, ttc, affordable housing, arts and entertainment serviced out as that will decrease the uniqueness and beauty that is toronto. I am also concerned that this survey is very bias and I feel like my words have been manipulated by the multiple choice options.
107.	Provincial Courts, Income Support, Subsidized Housing and some Public health Services such as Immunization should be Provincial responsibilities and funded by income taxes which are geared to income and inherently fairer.
108.	TCHC should NOT be selling off housing stock to pay for the repairs. This makes those who can afford it least pay for. People who are well off can surely spare funds for such repairs better than those below the poverty line.
109.	Upload health, housing and court policing to Province. (good luck!)
110.	Share of Income Tax / Share of Harmonized Sales Tax and road tolls to fund TTC capital budget, social housing and other capital costs / Increase share of provincial and federal gasoline tax to fund TTC / Demand that Ontario and federal government reverse the downloading of costs to the city.
111.	It is very difficult to provide excellent services without increasing revenue - the important part is that the money be used sensibly and not squandered. It is much more cost effective to support and provide money for existing parks, sports facilities, decent housing, than to have to spend much more on detention centres, etc.
112.	TTC, Housing, Social Services should be funded by Provincial and Federal governments with money derived from income taxes
113.	Social services, such as Affordable Housing (Service 2), Day Care (Service 4), Funding and Programs for vulnerable groups and neighbourhoods (Service 6), Employment services and managing social assistance (Service 11), Long-term care homes and services for seniors (Service 13) and Shelter, support and housing for homeless and low-income people (Service 18) should not have to be funded out of municipal property taxes.
114.	It seems to me that this survey does not offer certain options that have been made possible for the City through powers granted to it by the Province. There are options like the abandoned tax on vehicles and the land transfer tax, taxes specific to City users who have a certain level of comfort and discretion, that are not offered in place of measures like selling off stores of City-owned housing, for instance. There's a perception that the questions have been manipulated to produce certain responses.
115.	The Vehicle Registration fee should be re-instated. Toronto parking should be priced higher for larger vehicles. Other fees like ones that are progressive (sliding scale depending on income) or not tied to services for the most vulnerable citizens should be instated. NOT for Recreation Centres ... especially in Priority neighbourhoods, or Shelters, or affordable housing ... but higher TTC fees or Water Use Fees/taxes are a possibility.



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116.	DO NOT sell off public housing to the private sector. NIBMY will surface and no building will want to take in welfare recipients...as well I live on ST CLAIR and the road is a mess...we need subways---we are 40 years behind
117.	User fees should only be applied where the user base is capable of paying, i.e. user fees for homeless shelters and social housing are oxy-moronic. / / Public libraries, parks and green spaces, festivals, etc. should not have user fees. / / I'm disappointed that this survey doesn't take into account any other revenue streams, beyond user fees and property taxes. There are other options for diversifying the city's revenue base.
118.	Negotiate with the province to share the cost of supporting vulnerable people by providing affordable housing and affordable, reliable public transit
119.	Where are the Feds and Province on public transit, housing, welfare and childcare? City residents pay our dues to Fed/Province levels too.
120.	City should ensure that appropriate level of government is covering costs for services that fall outside City's core group. EG province should be paying housing subsidies and for what are essentially health care services that the city provides because they are not elsewhere covered (e.g. shelters house many people with severe health issues).
121.	City should have a better financial tracking system like the Provincial Government has (IFIS), as its hard to track funding in the city with all the small agencies. / City should look at other resources for funding instead of raising Property Taxes and TTC Fares. By rising the prices, your making housing less affordable for the seniors that are here. In the years to come, houses will sit empty as everyone opts to live in a condo because the taxes are much less or rent for that matter.
122.	We need to examine wages of all city employees - union and non-union. Public sector has outstripped private sector wage increases significantly over the years. / / Let's reduce the number of senior managers. / / Let's go after federal and provincial governments to pay for a good deal of the social services, and share in the costs of social housing. / / Bring back the car tax of \$60.00; it isn't even the cost of a monthly TTC pass (I have a car). / / Increase the cost of on-street parking permits. / / Tolls to enter and exit Metropolitan Toronto. / / User fee increases on arenas, community centres and day-care centres. / / Height tax for condos. Units pay fees on an increasing scale the higher up they are in condominiums. Units on the first floor would pay far less than units on the twentieth floor. These units take away others' views, and others' skylight, so a 'sky tax' seems reasonable. / / We seemed to manage money far better before we were amalgamated. Let's separate the cities so each region can address its specific needs. / / Let't bring non-partisan democracy back to City Hall / /

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123.	Refinance all debt at what is now historic low rates amortized 5 years longer. Stop getting ripped off by the banks and brokers who know they are dealing with suckers but pretend likewise. Put someone in charge of finance who understands how financial markets work and how the relationships in the business actually work. Sell off public housing (beaches), sell off surplus land, tolls on the DVP and Gardner.....Turn out some lights, and..stop nickel and diming everybody.
124.	The City needs to return to negotiations with the provincial and federal governments to reverse the continuing problems associated with the downloading of the Mike Harris era. TTC, housing, welfare and numerous other services should be at least cost-shared, not the city's burden alone.
125.	The survey is flawed because none of the options mention federal/provincial subsidies as a source of funding for city services. One of the options for funding city services (i.e., TTC, housing, community centres, arts events, etc.) should be to insist on additional funding from other levels of government in line with Toronto's strategic economic and cultural role within Ontario/Canada.
126.	Continue to fund Health and Social Services. They prevent future problems unlike the Police. HIV/AIDS, Hep C, STIs, and lack of shelters/affordable housing create more death/suffering than all crime put together. Far greater people died because of these issues than murder and they are highly preventable. Needle exchange programs specifically save lives and prevent the spread of disease.
127.	stop spending \$ on traffic calming measures / have an in depth financial review of police budget and how resources are allocated between front line and management / eliminated mounted police / stop funding discretionary programmes such as art, community and cultural groups / province should pay for and administer all court, welfare, homeless, low cost housing and care for aged programmes
128.	City should fund or have user fees for residents who are part of our city especially in our community centre. I personally know of people out live outside of the GTA and have registered for programs (kids and adults) using their parents toronto address. How about asking for identification and holding person to person registration at community centres. Youths should have their own programs after school or on weekends, rather than being drop ins for programs run at community centres. I am one of about a dozen on a waiting list for a zumba class at ancaster community centre. The gym will hold at least 30 to 40 participants, however, only 15 have paid the fees while the other 15 spots are being held for youth drop ins. When I contacted the staff I was told that the spots are held for youths between the ages of 15 to 24. In my opinion once you are 19 years of age you are no longer a youth.

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129.	I have no problem paying more in either User Fees or Property Taxes ONLY after the City significantly reduces its cost of operations and gets it under control by delivering necessary services cost effectively. Overtime and Benefits can be reduced in various ways for example although the budget documents do not itemize these that I could find. TPS is the obvious area where cost reductions could be gained. Hire security guards to monitor road construction for example. Demand the province pick up 100% of Court Services security now and not in 5 years. Other suggestions: Eliminate the Toronto Atmospheric Fund (\$2.2M); Theatres should be 100% self funding; review public housing stock and sell of buildings such as Humberline Drive to the private sector; Reduce IT expenditure easily by 10%; eliminate the "Culture" from Economic Development and Culture agency;
130.	Cut social program costs. Welfare reform. Public housing reform.
131.	Increase uploading to the province; / Force the province and feds to pay for policing costs for national and provincial functions; / Increase development charges; but modify development charges to increase family housing
132.	I thought we were in a surplus position, so I don't understand what is the source of the deficit. / It is very important to maintain the environmental health and social services of the city because a widening gap between rich and poor, affluent and vulnerable leads to a less secure and less prosperous society. / I believe some services can be contracted to the private sector as long as the ownership remains 100% in public hands, with good performance contracts in place, and good monitoring and control. My experience with privately managed buildings in social housing sector has always lead to a deterioration in service and quality. Therefore I believe social programs should not be contracted out.
133.	Charge road tolls, increase car license fees, reduce transit fees, make condo developers pay tax, make condo developers provide subsidized housing and parks. Make foreign owners of condominiums pay non-resident tax. Fine and tax illegal vocational schools. De-amalgamate.
134.	contracting out services is a false economy. / Funding services can and should include a blend of property taxes, other tax powers for the city, bonds for capital improvements etc. I for one would be very happy to invest some of my RRSPs in Municipal Bonds to build daycares, affordable housing or homes for seniors! Toronto is a community that generates a lot of wealth, let's get Bay Street to give some back to help it be the best city it can be.
135.	make sure vulnerable population get proper services, make sure every resident in Toronto has equal access to "essential services" such as health, education, housing, and safety.
136.	I think the City should work with Provincial and Federal governments to increase the funding for affordable housing; EMS and supports to vulnerable families; and mental health and addiction services.

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137.	<p>Why city workers make so much money and are so lazy? Parks are never clean, sand is never replaced. In UK city workers earn less. Look at other countries solutions. There should be research done about solution to the problem in another countries. Why people are given subsidized housing and stay on assistance forever? They should be given limited housing assistance for a period of a time lets say 5 years unless they are old. Old people have a harder time to find a job and are less healthy and young families sticking to Ontario Works forever. It should not be number on a list but a point system. Ontario Works should pay more at the beginning and less every month and decrease for people who have no interest in looking for a job. Standard for affordable housing should be lowered. Day care should be provided by a government and paid for a citizens for up to 2 children for lower income families. There must be a limit. Every immigrant should pay fee for a benefit to getting to Canada. 5000 is not an expensive fee. It can be repaid in 5 years easy. This is not a country for a free loaders. Changing little at a time is not a solution. It must be a big change into a system.</p>
138.	<p>Some of the costs should be shared with other levels of government, especially social services and transportation. Child care, senior care, low-cost housing and public transportation should not be supported solely by property taxes. Pressure on the Provincial and Federal governments to act responsibly should be relentless. This survey ignores the support given to cultural and other services by foundations, donations and so forth and thus gives a rather distorted view of how theatres, museums etc are really funded.</p>
139.	<p>The City needs to continue to demand the uploading of many services, principally affordable housing and social assistance needs, to the province. We continue to suffer from the downloading of services by the Mike Harris government, as well as his cuts to TTC subsidies. The provincial government needs to restore its funding of the TTC. It is also essential that property taxes be raised. I am astounded that the average property tax on a \$400 000 home in Toronto is about \$600 less than what my father is paying for a property assessed at \$280 000 in a town of 1500 people in rural Alberta.</p>
140.	<p>Please increase funding for public housing, social programs for low-income/vulnerable groups and public transit</p>
141.	<p>Lobby for faster uploading to the Provincial Government of downloaded services. Lobbying for increased funding for affordable housing and public transit expansion.</p>
142.	<p>Allow sponsorship rights to corporations (for a fixed term) for significant donations to things like nursing home facilities, community centres, arenas, arts venues, vehicles / Make the Provincial and Federal Government pay their share of social assistance and housing, provincial courts, long term care, and transit costs</p>

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143.	Toronto city councillors should lobby the federal and provincial governments to tax corporations more, not average citizens, and to cut and cap the inflated bonuses and pay packages corporate executives receive. Expenses for existing services should not be pushed onto users. The city should also lobby the province to cut and cap the six-figure salaries of public workers such as hospital ceos (some who earn more than \$500K) and hydro / Ontario Power Generation executives. The millions saved from that gravy should cover the services the vulnerable people and working stiffs of Toronto should have. / / I resent having to rank whether police and fire is more important than services to seniors, services for the disabled, animal welfare, clean water, affordable housing, or access to public spaces or access to libraries. That's ridiculous! They are all important in different ways and should not be ranked on the same scale. / / And "don't know" as a response is not the same things as "don't care."
144.	Faster return to the province of social assistance. Feds and Province should pay lion's share of affordable housing and once again significantly contribute to both capital and operating budgets of ttc. 1% of GST. Higher corporate taxes.
145.	The City should upload services such as Housing, Policing, Fire etc to the Province. If this cannot be done, under NO CIRCUMSTANCES should they be privatized
146.	I am concerned that the company the City hired to develop this survey is a USA company. I can't believe that the City of Toronto could not source this service in Toronto. I'd be curious how much it cost the City to set up this survey. I am also concerned that the way the questions are framed makes the choices to be either that :a)the city provides the service; or b) the services are contracted out. Why are the questions so narrowly framed. There are non-profit agencies that are a vital part of service delivery. There is also a gap in the framing of how services should be paid for. The choices are property taxes or user fees. I am a home owner and am happy that my property taxes go to services like affordable housing, shelter for homeless people, fire services, police services, 311, community centres and services for children, youth and vulnerable adults. I don't like that we give tax breaks to big business.
147.	It has to get province & federal government to chip in more on the costs of housing, transit, & social assistance.
148.	The City should also continue to lobby the Province of Ontario to take back some of the responsibilities of downloaded services from the '90s. A major portion of the budget shortfall stems from the fact that cities are taking far too much responsibility for their own social services including transit, housing and social welfare. Both levels of government need to contribute more, but especially the Province.

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149.	I think the city has made a big mistake in not maintaining an annual increase in the property taxes, this is a repeat in the "lastman years" short term gain for long term pain. I think the current mayor dropped the ball in taking the Miller surplus and applying it to this year's budget. Dropping the taxes on Cars, and the housing taxes also shows a lack of understanding that cities have limited abilities to raise funding other than property taxes. This is a tax system set-up is an agricultural dominated society, set-up in the 19th century. The Miller government was right to take advantage of the Ontario's government offer to allow the city to raise it's own revenues. The "Ford (nation) administration" is very short sighted at best, or deliberately trying to empty the city coffers to ensure a program of cutbacks in social services, and contracting jobs in the city. thus lowering the quality of the city we live in. / / I would be glad to further share my views on the city in any forum the this review of the city decides to follow-up
150.	Firstly, it's counter-productive to increase property taxes to increase the amount of affordable housing. The more you increase property taxes, the more people require community housing. And if you improve public transportation, but increase the user fee, less people will be able to afford/want to use public transit. I think it's necessary that we start thinking beyond these two options to fund city services. The City should invest in finding alternative solutions to the funding issues. I don't know the optimal way to fund services, but I also don't know the inner workings of the City.
151.	Sale of assets but NOT community housing
152.	increase taxes to reflect 905's taxes so the city can pay for services. Improve services don't reduce. Appeal to provincial and especially federal government to change policies to increase support to refugees and immigrants. Make Toronto a better place to live not more housing and poor people.

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153.	I am disturbed at the biased nature of this survey! The questions and the multiple choice answers are loaded, and within that constraint, it was almost impossible to "find my voice". / It is unacceptable to approach city services from a "no new taxes" basis. We need to get out of the mentality that taxes are bad and that we should do anything to avoid paying them. Taxes and the collection of taxes are a fundamental cornerstone of a healthy society. We need to get out more positive messages about the effect of taxes in creating a healthy society and in contributing to the "common good", rather than a message that seems always to be about keeping everything good for "me" but not "my neighbour". Reducing our city life to the financial bottom line all the time and not engendering in the public consciousness a need to pay more for the quality of life we all want is a very wrong-headed and perhaps immoral approach to running a city and making it a lively home for its people and its visitors. Yes, I do love Toronto and I am on a limited income. However, I am prepared to pay more to ensure that this city looks after its poor, develops accessible and affordable housing and transit at the most reasonable cost for those who need it, and that recognizes that it must provide fundamental services that are environmentally sustainable. I want this city to be great for all its people and I (a home and car owner) are willing to pay more to see that we achieve this!
154.	A property tax freeze is a mistake that has been made by past administrations. Property owners in Toronto pay considerably less than other surrounding municipalities, taxes should be comparable across Ontario. The City should also sell off some of its real estate assets and look into reforming public housing.
155.	There was no mention within the survey regarding increased funding from the provincial and federal government for certain services. The job of the city should include actively engaging both levels of government to increase their funding of certain services, specifically affordable housing, transit, and infrastructure.
156.	I feel strongly that we deliver some services that should be handed over to the Province. Example: courts, housing, child care. Any program that is MANDATED by the Province should be at the very least 50% funded by the Province.
157.	Toronto's average property tax is usually far below the property tax of other neighbouring cities in the GTA. We want a great city, not a city with the lowest property tax. Let's eliminate all the unrealistic expectations that we can have something for nothing. People with decent jobs and housing all contribute to the health of a city.
158.	Road tolls; cost of plastic bags to increase and go to the city rather than to businesses; billboard tax to fund arts and culture; lower police salaries; cut the number of police officers given that crime has been steadily decreasing for years. Providing affordable housing is also far cheaper than the staggering costs of homelessness.

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159.	<p>Stop trying to be an owner/operator, and just focus on being a service provider or a standard setter. You don't need to own the building to provide a subsidized rental apartment for instance, and having a lot less concentration of subsidized units in individual buildings and housing complexes will dramatically reduce crime and policing costs as well, something that is not possible if you take the position that it is ideologically necessary to own the bricks and mortar regardless of the damage to the life outcomes of the children you force into these complexes just so their parents can some help with the rent. / / It will be easier to fund required services if you stop funding counterproductive ones. Someone told me that even if you put in environmentally friendly water free toilets you have to pay a union plumber to put the piping in the wall in order to get your plumbing permit (the Brickworks?). Fire whoever came up with this policy and don't restaff the position. There is \$100,000 right there. While you are at it, let contractors bid city jobs using whatever their wage scales actually are. Having to pad the bids with a "union premium" to drive up the price in order to have your tender even qualify is absurd. Don't keep doing this and then pretend you have a budget "gap". You just have misplaced spending priorities. That is not the same thing. / / Take a serious look at city worker productivity and get rid of people who are not really showing up or not actually working when they do to boost productivity and ironically morale. Nothing makes a hard worker give up faster then a co-worker not contributing and getting away with it.</p>
160.	<p>Unfortunately, at this time, we need to cut on services. The City should focus on what 'traditional' City services are. Road. Police. Fire. I pay taxes for Culture at the provincial level. The City should NOT fund this. Free market should take care of housing. I do not believe in government intervention in the life of people. My taxes should help the helpless. Not the clueless!</p>
161.	<p>City run casino; upload previously downloaded social services and housing back to the Province.</p>
162.	<p>Answering this questionnaire was a learning experience for me. I was astonished at the number / variety of services City Hall is supposedly providing at the present time. Is this why City Services have deteriorated so much over the last 7 or 8 years? Is City Hall trying to be all things to all people? The sad thing is that city services desperately needed by the people at large (like road maintenance, public transit, garbage collection) have become a joke, while City Hall bends over backward to invent new services it can provide to a select few (subsidized theatre, bicycle lanes and green roofs come to mind). / / I think it would be productive to think of city services not only in terms of what needs to be done by the city and what does not, but in terms of what services are not needed at all. Some services can and should be privatized and others need to be eliminated altogether. / / For example, in my view the city should provide water / garbage / paramedics (EMS) / police / public transportation / road maintenance. The city can contract out these services in some cases. I am strongly for contracting out garbage collection, and some security services currently provided by</p>



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	<p>the police for instance. I think that allowing jitneys would be great as the TTC is a disgrace and competition would be a nice wake up call for TTC management/unionists. Just to be clear, by saying that a given service is needed and should be provided by the city, I do not mean that no cutting should be done. Actually, I see wastefulness everywhere I turn in this city. Why are road crews of 6-9 men seen everywhere when 3 would do the job nicely? Some repairs done two years ago by the city on my street were eye-opening. Nine workers were sent out by the city. At any given time, only one or two were working. Disgusting. And Miller wondered why we were so angry at his tax increases! / / Other services don't need to be done by the city at all and/or need to be pared down drastically. The TCHC has become a giant entity, totally out of control. It needs to be contracted out, and then reduced. Impoverished families and individuals should be able to rent apartments where they wish and private landlords can be paid by the city. We also have an overlong waiting lists of subsidized housing so lets put some rules in place as to how long any one tenant/family can remain in subsidized housing. Five years is long enough for people to better their circumstances. Then they get bounced out to make room for others. / / Draconian cuts are also needed at City Hall. There are far too many civil servants, doing precious little. The 311 service is a nice convenience but not a necessity and I shudder to think of how much glorified phone clerks get paid. / / A couple more words: / Toronto Public Health needs to be uploaded to the province. The city can save a few dollars that way. / A layoff of at least 10% of our police force is in order. We are an aging society and violent crime is on the decline. Also, construction sites/road crews should hire private security staff, not police officers. Or put up pylons. / Environment is not a municipal issue properly speaking. It falls under the domain of the Federal government and should be treated as such. / Toronto's subsidies to the arts community have become a vile way for the establishment/civil servants to funnel taxpayer dollars to friends and relatives who pretend to be artists. Those rewarded with "grants" are nearly always frauds, not genuine working artists. I would like to see this practice discontinued. Real artists sink or swim on their own merit as we always have. / Citizens should not be subsidizing the living costs of Toronto Island residents. They should pay for their own ferries and their own police services. / It has become apparent that councillors need to be told what is and is not appropriate in the way of expenditures. I'm not pleased that 12 Toronto City Councillors are going to Halifax for the Federation of Municipalities conference. Frivolous expenditures should be disallowed. (They can still go, but on their own dime.) / / Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to participate in this process.</p>
163.	It seems that many of the social services (housing, assistance to vulnerable people, health services) should really fall under provincial or federal jurisdiction.
164.	Some questions are not conducive to a questionnaire - like should the city pay for social housing? Of course it should, but so should the province and the federal government.

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165.	A number of city services should be provided by the province or the federal government (i.e.. housing, Ontario works, public health) I think the city should be educating the public about these downloads and advocating that higher levels of government pay for these services. As the economic hub of the country Toronto should be receiving far more support. / people travel from all across the province, country and world to live in Toronto and our transfer payments should reflect that reality.
166.	City should be insisting that provincial and federal levels of government contribute/ cost share in programs such as housing, day care, immigration services, and city infrastructure. I disagree strongly with contracting out of services. It will not reduce costs since no one in the private sector is going to provide services unless there are financial advantages to the contractor. The only way they are able to reduce costs is to bust unions which may sound politically feasible but in the long run --Who are going to buy the cars, houses and other consumer goods etc that our economy relies on.
167.	The city should look very closely at enforcing housing standards particularly with smaller landlords.
168.	Road tolls, like in NYC. There are many people who commute into the downtown core for work and benefit from the services we offer there. They should contribute to the cost of road repairs and compensate for causing traffic. Drivers also contribute to air pollution, which contributes to the bad air quality. / Don't give in to powerful unions. TTC wages are ridiculous considering the level of education required. It seems we give in to police unions all the time but they're just one of the many important services we have. / Trim down middle management. That would apply to the TTC but probably other bureaucratic offices. I strongly recommend a review of organizational structures. / The city should NOT use TTC fare hikes. It's already risen too much over the past decade and makes the most sustainable source of transportation in the city difficult to afford. We should be encouraging the use of public transit. / Do NOT sell off public housing. I don't want the city's homeless and impoverished to suffer more because it affects everyone's quality of life when homelessness and poverty grow. / Tax the rich. That's a crass way to put it, but we have some very successful businesses and people who can afford to contribute more. / I'm upper middle class and I don't mind paying my share to help my city improve. It's a community not a free for all.
169.	The city should really fund those needed services that will alleviate the load of the very city, such as unemployment programs that are effective and not just a few weeks of nothing, affordable housing and improving run down neighbourhoods that are stigmatized for various reasons, EI recipient who cannot go on Ontario Works as an option if it runs out and there is no jobs, health care for those families and more secured neighbourhoods
170.	The city should seek provincial government support to cover education and public housing costs. The province should contribute more to the TTC's budget.

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171.	Your funding options for maintaining services strike me as very limited indeed. I would like to see more efficiencies within each department and a more creative use of the funds the city already has at its disposal. For instance, we could develop programs that utilize volunteers from all sectors, more corporate sponsorships, etc. Also, we need more options than simply property taxes. What about a universal city tax for residents? And where is our federal government in the mix? Most Canadians live in cities. Toronto is the economic engine of Canada ... so why all the off-loading and failure to recognize that what's good for Toronto, is economically good for Canada? For instance, public housing, social assistance and public transit should be partially funded across Canada by federal taxes. It saddens me to see our lovely city falling into such a sad state. The public good affects us all.
172.	If we invest in solving real problems like housing, youth unemployment, helping the vulnerable, addressing crumbling infrastructure, etc. it will mean an increase in cost in the short term but savings in the long term. Those wishing to privatize public services will, if they succeed, impose on all the citizens of Toronto degraded services at a higher cost than can be provided by the public sector. The private sector lives for profit and nothing else.
173.	Increase user fees of drivers to pay for roads, sidewalks, public transit, environmental programs, forestry and parks, as driving affects all of these things. Reinstatement of car tax. Increase property taxes for properties worth over 1 million dollars to invest in affordable housing, child care and libraries. Increase user fees for collection of garbage that is not separated into recyclables and compostables.
174.	Eliminate redundant social services and cut funding for Toronto housing.
175.	Negotiate with province for police court transfer costs (used to be provincial responsibility) and for other provincially-mandated services such as paratransit, TCHC housing, welfare costs; as these are costs borne unfairly at the municipal level and part of the reason for higher taxes and higher budgets. Also, rein in police paid-duty work. Look at improved alternate revenue tools such as tax-increment financing and BIA funding for neighbourhood-specific streetscaping and infrastructure improvements,
176.	This survey seemed overly simplistic and played to the lowest common denominator. Certainly in certain areas (like housing) the city should work with provincial and federal governments for funding and administration. I absolutely oppose the privatization of public services for any reason.
177.	I hope that our city will keep in mind that we must all invest our personal and communal resources, time and energy in maintaining public education, housing, health and recreation programs. We must fund services and housing for the less fortunate. We must invest in our public transportation services, including bicycle infrastructure, and increase road use taxes for motorized vehicles. We must fund services that encourage our citizens to make environmentally and socially responsible choices. We must support local, independent business and arts initiatives.

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178.	There are additional options to having the City provide the service or contracting out. Some services have elements that should be uploaded to the province (courts, affordable housing, and childcare for instance). Also, contracting out does not always result in cost savings, especially in the medium-long term, so careful consideration is necessary before devolving responsibility. / / User fees are not appropriate for basic essential services (e.g. water treatment) or for addressing equity issues (e.g. funding for marginalized groups).
179.	City should NOT be in the business of child care, affordable housing, theatres, arts. Their job is to run the City by providing Police, EMS, TTC, Fix & maintain roads, pick-up garbage
180.	Reinstate the Vehicle Registration Tax, Road tolls to fund public transit, Reduce off-duty paid police service, Advocate for more money from the Provincial and Federal Governments (especially to support affordable housing, public transit and childcare), Explore ways to make property taxes more fair (perhaps based on incomes)
181.	The city core has a lot of problems with drugs, housing and mental health if tackled the city can do a lot better. We need to integrate youth into programs that help them get jobs and get pride in their community. e.g. local food planting, community clean ups, more youth / police programs.
182.	The city might have to look at instituting tolls on certain roads and highways. If the city maintains the land transfer tax, it could use the money towards affordable housing.
183.	The City should sell off assets to fund services. The City does not need to operate 3 theatres or own an art collection. Single family homes from TCHC's asset should be sold. Why does someone need to live in home valued at close to \$1million and be in receipt of social housing. The City should sell off its stake in Enwave and a percentage of Toronto hydro. Shut down the climate change office in London England. Many city run services could be contracted out ... why is it that many city run daycares are full of people on subsidy and the average person can't afford to send their child their. You don't need to run this daycares and pay highly unionized staff. Contract out the spaces!!! The same goes for waste collection, tree services and park maintenance. City staff should not be paid overtime because they are repairing streets during off hours. This should be a part of doing business. The City should also stop relying on the Province for handouts. Mayor Ford should be commended for thinking outside the box by leveraging funds with the private sector to support transit and subways development. Consider road tolls on the Gardiner and 427.

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184.	People who live outside the City should be made to pay for increased use of roads and the TTC, etc., through passes, and road tolls. The planning department and OMB should be working on policies to preserve affordable housing stock for trades people. Outside centres, like Vaughan, should be producing their own facilities to encourage residents to live, work and play in their own communities. The airport is responsible for huge emissions, affecting the health and quality of life for Toronto residents, witness the gun problems in Peel, near the airport. Politicians should not be subsidizing the air industry through their travel arrangements, and air travel should be abandoned in all departments.
185.	Revisit the division of responsibility with the province. Many mandatory services were downloaded in the 1990s (day care, social services, affordable housing, etc.) - negotiate the "uploading" schedule. This would provide a more structural and long-term solution to the benefit of the City than gutting city programs and services, reducing the quality of life, and negatively impacting the attractiveness of our City as a place to live, work and play. The latter has more significant negative economic implications than the "gravy train" ever did. / / Always take a long-term view. Band-aid solutions that screw over the most vulnerable people in this City are not the way to go. / / Also, be fair and honest in your assessment of the situation. Toronto's finances are not in bad shape, and the people of Toronto pay lower taxes than those in many surrounding municipalities. / / We have a great city. Please stop bashing it because you have an ideological bone to pick.
186.	Please do not decrease Arts and Environmental funding. Find other ways to fund services. Selling some city owned properties could be one answer if it doesn't impact access to low income housing otherwise this will become a city just for the wealthy and lack the diversity that makes us unique. Be creative; cut waste at city hall but don't take money away from much needed community programs such as libraries and arts institutions & festivals. These make the city what it is and attract tourism in addition to people from the GTA. It's all part of the bigger picture. Worker harder to access Federal Government. support especially for transportation/infrastructure. Please remember that cities work given the Vision of the leader, who can take all aspects of a city and not solely look at cost cutting - but use creative energy and innovation to meet the demands of all these services.
187.	Need to discuss privatization for some services, contracting out of others, and uploading services back to the Province and Federal levels such as Ontario Works, Shelter and Housing and Public Health. / / In Health, we have 3 different levels of government involvement with lots of overlap in services and bureaucracy which degrades service levels.
188.	Fed government should develop integrated national policies and share funding for : healthy living that includes sports and recreation; affordable housing; child care; senior care; public transit; participation in accessible arts programme; / Prov. Government to share in costs in those areas and develop integrated policy to provide funding for all mandated programmes. At present the Province only provides about

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	20% grants and subsidies to the Toronto city budget but mandates Close to 32% of the programmes. / / Users fees are way too high and admin costs could be reduced if all services at the City community recreation centre were made available free of charge.
189.	I think the city of Toronto and taxpayers are expected to fund too much. Especially, Ontario Housing - we cannot afford to maintain all of the properties - this all should be turned over to private industry. Give people a subsidy and let them live where they want to live. If residents are using a service then they should pay. The city of Toronto should try to encourage more commercial and residential building since a great deal of people have moved to the 905 area. They should try to develop desirable areas like Scarborough which is not too far from downtown.
190.	I think your question is absolutely faulty. This is not a black and white issue and your survey does not provide room for comments. Some services may necessitate increased user fees, but for other services can we increase user fees (i.e. affordable housing, social assistance?)
191.	Encourage more co-operative and non-profit providers of housing. Remove profiteering from housing but you needn't put everything in government hands. Same for childcare.
192.	I dislike that the structure of the survey limits choices and commentary to two options: increase fees or increase taxes. While these are clearly the easiest funding choices, they are not the only ones, and this survey reinforces a simplistic and misleading model of how cities might operate. I would have liked the opportunity to comment on possible reallocation of city funds (from, for example, fees for outside consultants to Social Services and Housing administration), or areas where increased provincial responsibility should be pursued (TTC, Arts).
193.	Federal/Provincial governments should bankroll transit, gridlock, childcare, subsidized housing
194.	Welfare and Social Housing costs should be paid by higher levels of government because the are income distribution programs.
195.	The cost of essential services, like housing, medical, legal and transportation services should be funded by the giant corporations of this city. I'm not a left-leaning hippie who doesn't see the value in having big companies in the city to boost the economy - I do see their value - but I also think they should be forced to pay a significant amount of money to maintain residence in the city, just like the residents. The average person should not be faced with an increase in TTC fares every other year; it's impossible to deal with that financially. Tax the people who can afford it!
196.	Reinstate the vehicle registration tax immediately. / Road tolls to fund public transit projects. / Reduce off-duty paid police officers. / Advocate for uploading to Feds / Province (Housing, transit and child care) /
197.	I pay the most property tax on my street at \$3600 - and our house is not the most expensive. Housing, not to mention property taxes is way to expensive. Something needs to change - perhaps more user fess for services used by only a small

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	percentage of residents.
198.	I stopped about one quarter of the way through the survey because it seemed the questions were arranged to create a schism in that the topic was multi-faceted and could not be delineated with a ranking. I happen to live in a form of affordable housing, am involved in neighbourhood development through a neighbourhood association and help out with High Park conservation. Each deals with multiple issues and does not eliminate any but works to offer solutions not simplistic actions that create their own problems. Let me put it this way, if you want to be a mayor or a councillor or a city manager you need to use a mind that can handle the complexities of a city such as TO. I say that having taken the Civics 101 classes which by the Ford Admin are irrelevant.
199.	It was my understanding when we recently elected our new mayor and his like minded members of council that funding services was not an issue as he was going to be able to find a ton of efficiencies that would generate funding at City Hall. Now it seems that all services are on the table to be cut. What about the gravy train? Maybe eliminating fees on things like car registration or land transfer taxes was not such a great idea, especially if you have to close a library or reduce public housing. Oh well, I suppose it will be nice that the underprivileged families with their small vulnerable little children that will now be forced to live in their cars wont have to worry about a registration fee.
200.	Continue as in the past.... go after province and federal government. to resume past % of funding, for instance the province used to provide substantial transportation funds and had small signs in buses .province also should provide more funds for co-op housing e.g. successful St. Lawrence project.
201.	the city should be lobbying and working with other levels of government to increase funding for our services. This survey said nothing about the federal or provincial governments being lobbied to increase their support for subsidized housing, for transit, etc. All other cities in North America receive much higher levels of federal funds for their public transit. We need more support there. The city should be working hard to advocate for that rather than talking about increasing user fees or decreasing services.
202.	There seems to be a great gap. The city is healthy and economically doing well. Housing sales for instance have gone up 9%, the condominium industry is doing very well. Both of these example provide evidence of more and more taxes received by the city. / The question most people ask in this city, why can't the books be balanced. In fact , we should be getting better services not coming from a place of "reducing services." The top two services in this city which absolute a huge amount of money are the police and ttc. These are the two services where costs should be reduced.. if the city is going in this direction of service cuts.
203.	Reduce duplication of Services. Eliminate a System of irresponsibility. Police Budget is way too high at 25% / / / / / / / / / / Closely monitor the operating expenses of TCHC Security Service where they are duplicating services to Police ,

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	then Police, duplicates the same service and puts the Burden of Responsibility on TCHC as a Landlord. / / I have personal experience on this matter. I am willing to Call for an Investigation.
204.	The city should be reducing and eliminating services and lower taxes and fees. City government is wasteful and expensive. Its generally a burden on the taxpayer and reduces all citizens standard of living and quality of life. / Reduce city services to essentials only, fire, police, ambulance, roads, parks etc. No arts funding. No community housing. No expensive zoos. Private business can supply zoo demand etc. Contract out as much as possible to improve efficiency, eliminate the possibility of crippling strikes and reduce costs.
205.	The city should lease out city properties to businesses where possible such as street level spaces on the ground level of social housing properties. Where possible, the city should also sell surplus/unused city-owned land to raise revenue. Finally, the city and its ABCs should look at less reliance on hiring consultants and do more work with in-house staff.
206.	Don't cut public health, libraries, public housing and recreation/community/parks. These reduce costs in the long run. Contracting out will do little to save the city money.
207.	"cut the pork"-- sell city homes --get out of public housing
208.	Many of the services the City currently provides were downloaded on the City from the Province, and should be funded from income tax revenue rather than by property taxes. the City needs to continue to lobby the Provincial and Federal governments to fund housing, social assistance, health and transit.

**Is there anything else you would like City Council to consider when making decisions about services in the future?**

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1.	The city should stick to the basics. / Great public transit / get out of the social housing market and subsidize rents instead / get out of the boating business at Sunnyside / get out of road repair and sidewalk repair / get out of garbage collection / contract out everything but make sure you use completeive bids with a system to get the best service for the least cost
2.	Please keep your mandate to not cut "major" services in Toronto - such as public transit, social services (including libraries), social housing, care for seniors, garbage collection, etc. Such a disservice lowers the quality of life for all Torontonians, while undermining the city's presence as a world-class city. I would rather pay higher taxes and service fees to employ public servants than line the pockets of private business.



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3.	an extra \$240? that's it? we're making a big deal about that? Tax the living crap out of the low density housing. on my street the lots are 15 feet wide - that's 4 times the tax earning power than a 60 foot wide lot. The tax rate should be a calculation of property value x a factor for the efficiency of the city to deliver the service. it's cheaper to service small lots near the core than it is wide suburban lots on Etobicoke.
4.	The wealth gap is increasing - Toronto is diverse and mixed income housing development should be a priority of the city.
5.	I want to live in a city that looks after people, provides good public transit, health facilities, public housing, parks, libraries, pools etc. and spends money to foster the arts. I don't want to live in a soul-less city that values things only in terms of cost and money. Most things of value have nothing to do with making money. And I don't want to see our unionized city workers be laid off or made worse off by having their jobs contracted out.
6.	The population of the city is what makes up the city. The population consists of living beings with basic requirements. These basic requirements should never be cut, such as healthcare, emergency services, aid to maintain sufficient living, housing. Integrity to the city and its unique requirements is also important. But it's also important to keep a good balance between service & cost, not affordability in these respects. Affordability should only play a role in non-vital services, services that can be cut or disposed of, never to services that have to do with basic living standards. / Manage wisely.
7.	Long term growth in a city comes from investment in affordable housing, public transit and culture.
8.	Condominiums have no real "real estate" value. Marketing vertical property rights by allowing hi rise condo development is what has caused the decline of the American housing market. Creating vertical "yuppie" slums is not a solution for the downtown core. We need responsible infill development which is low rise in nature, in order to preserve our existing neighbourhoods.
9.	Always consider the arts and the impact of the arts on our city, our world and our moral. If there's a bridge to build there is tremendous value in making the bridge an EXPERIENCE...not just a bridge. The future is in people and we need to focus on them...cycling paths, parks, arts, senior health, sports, housing and education. Let's not fail them for the current selfish use of roads, use of cars and personal greed.
10.	CUT CUT CUT and Sell off all that city Housing
11.	Please put more consideration into long-term planning to reduce the income gap across the city. This should be a primary consideration in transit policy, affordable housing, and access to services. / / Do not interfere with waterfront revitalization, the East Bayfront, or West Donlands.
12.	Do not privatize the TCHC

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13.	Improve public transit!!!! Improve the built form of the city. Continue to invest in the Waterfront. Commit to affordable housing and do not contract out affordable housing. Be fair to Unions in the same manner that the Police Union was dealt with fairly.
14.	Never reduce preventative services such as Rent Bank, Shelters, Housing Help centres and all the others that support the most vulnerable in society.
15.	As a note, I don't believe this survey was designed correctly. How can I select 'increase user fees' for researching how to increase affordable housing in this city...it doesn't make sense....what user fee would one pay for this service? The survey was designed to make the end result to be either to cut services or to increase taxes to taxpayers - both of which the current administration vowed not to do.
16.	housing housing housing get greenwin out of street James town, look at 200 Wellesley they caused that and its happening at 275 bleecker, no fridge or heat for 2 years ....no good
17.	There are many poor and vulnerable people living in this city. Don't assume we all live in single family houses, with backyards and access to private play areas, etc. Community services, including affordable housing, will continue to be needed and should be provided by the city. Work closely with non-profit agencies and more services can be provided at lower costs. Keep the profit making out of community and social services! Community boards run arenas more efficiently than the city does, so keep volunteer management boards and let them do their work without interference from city officials.
18.	The People who will be affected if PRIVATIZATION is enforced. The WORKERS THE RESIDENTS The quality and services of social housing will be destroyed... do a SURVEY and the tenants will speak the truth as they are the ones who live inside the walls we service 365 Days a year
19.	Do not sell existing City of Toronto assets and property, this will just lead to a short influx of cash and will not be sustainable. / / Spend more time and effort developing the CITY and not just saying it's ok to build a box condominium or bland townhouse development on every free spot of property available. Maybe the city could require there to be some sort of space for city services on the ground floor to make this work with new developments? Even if it is a condominium/townhouse development, it does not have to be cookie cutter and boring. More variety please. / / As well, environmental concerns are present as well. It's baffling to me to see the city being so short-sighted as to not have green-roof requirements for all new development. / / Transit services desperately need improving, especially along areas of high condominium development (King West). Perhaps dedicated streetcar lanes will be necessary for this stretch since traffic seems to be the main impediment along this route. / / Child care services really need to be improved, along with the related availability. Services necessary for allowing families to live in the downtown core, such as affordable housing, need improving as well.

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20.	1) Heritage buildings must be not only designated and fully protected, but must be subject to regular inspections by the City and heavy fines levied (or repossession of property to the City) if they are not being maintained in a satisfactory manner. / 2) Homeless shelters and public housing must be spread out around the entire City of Toronto, and absolutely not concentrated to one particular area or neighbourhood. Smaller buildings are preferable or several floors in a new condo or apartment tower could help subsidize the building and maintenance of more affordable units. Lower income people/families should not be ghettoized. / 3) Long term plans must be studied and put into place for future subway/RT expansions and improved GO Transit into the 905 and beyond. Successful cities have good public transportation networks, in Toronto's case the TTC and GO.
21.	Consider the long term costs and the public's input. / The public's perception is that too many tax dollars have been and are still being wasted by the City due to duplication of services, services that should be funded at the Provincial level, e.g. Public Housing, Social Assistance, A fair share of the Public Transit servicing more than just the Toronto taxpayers, Etc..
22.	Consider the implications of raising property taxes. The middle class will have the biggest burden. Why should our taxpayer dollars fund city services when big business/corporations get a substantial break? Also, many seniors want to remain in their residences that were purchased MANY years ago but due to market manipulation of real estate prices their homes are assessed and grossly over valued and seniors' income can't keep up. **Politicians remember: baby boomers are your biggest voter base!!! The city of Toronto is rapidly becoming unliveable due to astronomical prices and taxes. Being a professional in my late 20's I struggled to find affordable housing, and in the end had to settle for less space (not conducive to staying long term and raising a family). Most of my peers were forced to live outside of Toronto. Yet, they use our services and commute to our city for work everyday while not contributing to our tax base; therefore enjoying a lower cost of living and what are essentially "free" services for them (transportation, road networks, parks etc...) We are creating a city devoid of a middle class. Only the rich and the very poor (through subsidized housing) can afford to live in Toronto.
23.	Try to save through ORGANIZATIONAL changes rather than funding changes (the leadership, service processes). Sometimes it's not how much \$\$\$ is put in, but the people who were put in to manage the \$\$\$\$. Case in point: TCHC.
24.	Provide excellent quality services and consider enhancing services such as affordable housing programs, economic development services, employment services. Ensure that the City of Toronto provides services which contribute to improving the quality of life for all the city's citizens. Stop looking for ways to reduce the delivery of city run services.

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25.	Historically, reducing spending on public services exacerbates problems in a bad economy. Do not follow the federal lead and cut services. Torontonians need affordable housing, employment services and child care/family services more than ever if we want to get out of the Great Recession.
26.	Investing in social housing and decreasing poverty will automatically decrease crime and save money.
27.	Please provide housing for the homeless. Please fund spay/neuter programs and shelters for animals. / / Thank you for this smart survey!
28.	Stop cutting taxes in order to create a budget crisis and then force people to choose between their parks, emergency services, supports for low-income communities, housing, etc. It's juvenile and disrespectful to the people you're supposed to be serve.
29.	Continue to fund HIV/AIDS prevention and support services in Toronto. Continue to fund cultural events like Pride Toronto. Contribute more funding to affordable housing in an increasingly expensive city where most people spend more than half their income on rent.
30.	Same as previous answer: Community building services (such as community centres and libraries) are a fundamental part of having citizens connect and care about their city. The isolation that exists among many residents leads to a disconnect from the city and thus from the services it offers because many people do not see or understand how those services are important especially when they don't use them or know anyone that does. / Any service that encourages community integration should be a top priority and that includes low-income housing and financial assistance to residents so that they have the time and well-being to participate in the community.
31.	Perhaps by not creating a survey as biased as this one. If you actually want real feedback from users you should not tailor the survey to the responses you desire. / City council should consider that a small increase in taxes is far superior than services getting cut, especially since it is usually the most vulnerable people in our community who will suffer the most. For example, I don't mind having my property taxes raised to help pay for services for new immigrants, or for low income people in need of housing. There are benefits to me and my community for having healthy diversity where everyone has a chance to thrive.
32.	KEEP THE HASSLE FREE CLINIC OPEN! / MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING!
33.	I will repeat that I think that providing adequate and affordable housing for all, and access to recreational programs for young people and green spaces will reduce the need for increased security services, save money, and increase the quality of life in the city.
34.	I would like to see them encourage developers to build more apartment housing at an affordable rent.
35.	Innovative partnerships with non-profit entities to deliver high-quality services. / / Make property developers contribute directly to the stock of affordable housing as is done in many USA cities, either bu building or funding.

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36.	1. An increase in the quality and relevance to the local community will often mean more use; / 2. Accessibility as it relates to mobility (wheelchairs and strollers), income, and other forms of discrimination; and / 3. How the services impact the health of the community as it relates to effective urban planning (walkability, proximity to city services, access to affordable housing and healthy food choices, etc.) /
37.	I think it's very important that the level of most services are not reduced, even if that means increasing property taxes or user fees. Many services need to be increased to make Toronto the better city we should be: TTC, supporting the homeless, affordable housing, supporting vulnerable people. Most people would not mind paying more taxes in order to provide better quality services (or even to maintain existing services when they cost more each year). Of course every dollar spent and every program should be scrutinized to ensure there is no wasteful spending, but we shouldn't cut services that people need just so others can have property tax reductions or freezes.
38.	Many people rely on many of these public services, such as libraries, public housing, community centres, public health initiatives, public transit and so forth. Please keep in mind that many of these people are the working poor, low income or belong to vulnerable groups, and that these services provide them much help and relief as well as greatly benefit their quality of life.
39.	Let's decommodify Toronto the good. Free Transit. Give empty housing capacity to homeless. Unionize all workplaces, including city hall.
40.	Consider education and housing. Don't worry about how much taxes are going up, but instead how are the tax dollars being use. People are being paid, but only a handful provide quality city services.
41.	With the recent recession, it is vital that there be more affordable housing. There have been people that have been laid off from their jobs after being with the companies for many years (myself being one of them) and it is very difficult to obtain another job. People have lost their homes and have been evicted and are forced to live in rooms with their families because they cannot afford to live in an apartment building or their previous eviction does not allow them to secure a unit in another building. Some of the places they are being forced to live in have deplorable conditions that have not only maintenance but, safety issues.
42.	Think about the families and individuals that suffer the most. Focus on families, housing, and child care. Low- middle income are hit hardest and the ones that can least afford increases. Increase where people(70,000+ income), companies and excess services that are not needed for the City to run. Exhibition Place!? Why is the City still paying for this place, I didn't even know that, these are things that are NOT essential and can exist under other management.
43.	We need functioning high quality public transportation. We need affordable housing and shelter spaces. We don't need the Toronto Zoo.

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44.	I think the city should improve it's relations with federal and provincial governments to address certain of it's funding issues. Address Immigration on the influx of unskilled labour from the Caribbean and some other regions. We have 4 generations of these immigrants living in community housing which was not the intent of community housing. A statistical analysis of their use of support services and levels of small crime tells the whole story.
45.	We should be concerned about the impact on the most marginalized people in Toronto--that should be our priority. More affordable housing is essential as is continuing to offer free or very inexpensive programming to support children, youth, families and newcomers.
46.	Services that assist the greatest number or most vulnerable in the city should be prioritized. For example, public health benefits all of us, and a healthy and informed population costs less in the long run. This includes EMS and care for seniors, for we cannot always foresee an emergency (and will be thankful it was there when we needed it) and indeed most of us will become old and need medical attention and long-term care. / / If city services must be cut, consider the most vulnerable. Cutting the services to those who need it most will feel the worst of it. Why create more struggle for those who are already struggling the most? Consider the basic needs of people; housing, food, EI, job assistance, health care, access to information and resources. Everyone deserves a dignified life, and respect. / / A beautiful, vibrant, cultured and green city is a happy city. We are not merely tax payers but living members of this community. We all live, work, walk, breath and see our lives lived in this space. Cuts to much used/needed public services is a sign of disrespect for the community members who rely on those services (as well as those who work in public service) because more often than not, public services are not merely a frivolity, but a necessity. / / This is not to say that arts and culture is not important, indeed our cultural and artistic pursuits express who we are as individuals and as a city. Without arts and culture, Toronto would be mundane, boring, unmemorable.
47.	Get practical. Get innovative. / / Our neighbourhood had many first-time homeowners and young families. But after 6 years of non-delivery of key city services (enforcement of North York's bylaws regarding illegal conversions/lodging houses) the community is disordered and unsafe. / To any proposed increases in residential taxes and user fees one has to say: "We support paying our fair share. We believe that taxes that are prudently allocated to taxpayer priorities represent a public necessity and a public good." The question remains, of course, whether / or not the city has a good plan. / / In addition to being next to one of Canada's largest post-secondary institutions, my neighbourhood is next to one of Toronto's priority areas for socio-economic and justice services, some call it University Heights, others Jane and Finch, and the Keele-Finch Fuel Storage tanks. These serious realities must present City staff with significant planning and program challenges. / / Three quick items to draw to your attention as you deliberate about whether the City has a good idea of the right priorities: / / 1.) Personal safety and security. You may recall that

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	<p>the neighbourhood was the location of several sexual assaults in the recent past and the murder of Qian Liu in April 2011. Detectives at 31 Division of the Toronto Police Service have had to respond to an increasingly worrisome ‘Break &amp; Enter’ trend as well. In December 2009 dozens of houses were hit by anti-Black, anti-semitic, anti-female, anti-gay graffiti. The neighbourhood needs attention. / 2.) Fire safety and public health. I invite all Councillors and city planners to visit our neighbourhood to witness how quickly fire safety and public health can become compelling issues. Many homeowners have converted their properties into numerous tiny apartments and rooming houses. Few, if any, of these conversions will conform to approved Ontario Building / Code standards. Few, if any, were ever completed with a building permit. Students and other low-income residents are at risk of unscrupulous landlords and unsanctioned electrical re-wirings. This was the subject of a recent Toronto Star expose. What will the City do about this other than wring its hands or sit on its hands. Nothing has been done about the illegal rooming houses "explosion" in my neighbourhood since 2007. Various Councillors seem bereft of any practical ideas or interest in getting something useful done. Why is this? When will this get fixed? / 3.) Emergencies. Our proximity to a significant fuel storage area also requires greater City attention. The Sunrise Propane Gas incident south of our neighbourhood should have been a wake-up call. Has it been? / / Does the City have the right priorities. Does it allocate the right level of City / resources to the right priorities? Will the neighbourhoods in this city – this city known as the city of neighbourhoods – be the beneficiaries of improved critical services funded by our residential taxes and user fees? I hope so. / / We want: / / • Toronto’s Police to better monitor and prevent property crime and / violent crime in our neighbourhood; / / • Municipal Licensing &amp; Standards staff to conduct more timely / property inspections and faster enforce of by-law infractions out of / Toronto’s North York Office; / / We expect that Council is properly resourcing its Office of Emergency / Management and the Fire Department’s Emergency Response Plan. We / expect that Council learned lessons about our collective preparedness / for industrial explosions within the City. / / We want the Toronto fire Service to have what it needs. / / In short, we expect our leaders to pay attention to the basics and target our resources accordingly. The focus must be on people. / / A couple of years ago, the Board of my Residents Association reviewed some of the Budget documents. Page two of the Executive Summary of the Municipal Licensing &amp; Standards document was worrisome. It said that one of the key challenges facing the City’s Municipal Licensing &amp; Standards staff is “advancing the Dog and Cat Licensing Strategy while meeting service / delivery responsibilities arising from [staff] involvement in the Multi-Residential Apartment Building Strategy”. If City staff officially advised the Mayor and Council that they / could not effectively inspect and enforce property standards and multi-residential housing complexes if they are also required to simultaneously focus on promoting a safe and healthy environment for pets then Council should have reconsidered whether they had too many / priorities and should have decided whether they were allocating enough for</p>

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	<p>Municipal Licensing and Standards to inspect substandard housing and enforce by-laws. People must come first. Perhaps cat sterilization is a very important municipal issue but surely it is not as important as inspecting firetrap rooming houses. Rooming houses need not be unsafe for those / living in them and for those living next to them. / We need real city leadership. / / Clearly Torontonians expect good government. Most believe we have a / right to good government. Of course, there is no such right. We / will not get good government unless we all do more than support our / own particular self-interests and pet projects.</p>
48.	<p>Municipal services are integral to a healthy city. People rely on them. They make our city a better place to live. They represent jobs. They ensure equality. We have a civic responsibility: everyone should have access to transit, good housing, recreation, daycare, etc. The City provides those things, and if we cut funding or 'contract out' we lose the accountability and transparency (not to mention quality) maintained by those being in the public sector. /</p>
49.	<p>do no privatize public services. Public childcare and affordable housing in downtown!</p>
50.	<p>Do a historical perspective of city services 20 years ago, 30 years ago. Remember how the city population has changed both demographically and multiculturally. Seniors are making up a large part of the demographic and their needs must be met. Many seniors cannot access the subway system because escalators and elevators aren't working in many stations. Social housing problems will not disappear if the communities living there do not have support. The city should look for partnerships with the private sector where possible to help support community centres and rinks. If Rogers can support the Dome why not the local skating rinks? Much more free publicity. they can write it off as a charitable donation.</p>
51.	<p>Money spent by government does not disappear into a black hole but enriches the lives of all Toronto residents. Delivering services satisfies more needs than can be enumerated and makes so many other things possible that the returns are impossible to quantify. For example, providing affordable housing can lead to better nutrition and better health, which can lead to overall health gains for everyone not just the poor. It is important to see the big picture, and miserly uninformed vindictive behaviour is not becoming of Toronto the Good, nor likely to see us stay a world-class city.</p>
52.	<p>Build much more rapid transit. The transit priority is the at risk neighbourhoods. / Build much more city owned affordable housing.</p>
53.	<p>Good cities are based on having good service. These attract good businesses and people who take pride in where they live and want to be citizens. Funding for many things in Toronto (such as the TTC, library, affordable housing and supporting good design and planning) should be increased. /</p>



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54.	Some cuts cost money in the long run. Cutting access to community recreation, for example, drives up public health, policing, EMS and social assistance costs. Cutting public health programs to deal with pests and infectious diseases make the city worse and are more expensive to deal with in the long run. Prevention saves money, even in the short term. In addition, when people have access to community recreation programs for their kids, safe and affordable housing, clean and efficient public transportation and affordable child care, they can move forward with finding and maintaining employment. Cutting services and creating a precarious situation for many will affect everyone.
55.	Please consider the needs of middle and low income earners that live in the city. As a low income earner with a child, I often rely on city services and programs. Having affordable recreation programs and housing is important to me.
56.	Start thinking longer term e.g. paying for affordable housing/supported housing now will save money in health, crime, drug use, human misery etc in the long term. / Stop pandering to greedy & selfish people who want to reduce their taxes and damn the rest. Remember what happened in Walkerton when we all got our \$100 cheque in return for closing water inspections. I'm willing to pay more property tax to help the less fortunate and so should we all be.
57.	Don't cut everything! There are many SUBURBAN taxpayers such as myself who are willing to pay more on their taxes to prevent the gutting of everything. and special note: I think the PROVINCE should take back the funding for subsidized housing and welfare for the poor. THAT is what has cost this city dearly. They dumped it on we taxpayers! that and an incredibly inflated police budget. Police that no longer even walk a beat on our streets!
58.	We pay too much for social services (e.g., Toronto Community Housing, homeless shelters) and people in Toronto should not be paying more property taxes or user fees to fund these services. This is a city, not a social service office, and I certainly do not want to pay to help homeless people or subsidize other people's rent.
59.	I do not believe a contracting out model works as well as its proponents say it will or saves as much money. / / Please be very careful when considering selling off city resources (real estate for housing, garbage trucks, etc.). It is much easier to maintain the assets we already have than it is to try and acquire them again once they are gone (sold off).
60.	I would like to see more info on alternatives to reach a goal. For example, if we need \$300m to fix public housing buildings, then I'd like to see what was considered and then why the decision taken was the preferred decision. More logic less politics. I also think that many bad decisions were made contrary to was city staff recommended, for political reasons, and that's problematic. Councillors should trust the people who work for the city. In most cases, they are probably better qualified to make the recommendations since they aren't working to get re-elected.
61.	This is where we live, and who we are. Let's make it beautiful for everyone. Fewer cars, more transit, better housing, better services, better education.

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62.	Equality of access and level of service for all citizens is important. Ensuring people from all walks of life mingle and use the same services. A high quality of life for all citizens no matter what their income (clean air and water; good housing; lovely neighbourhoods; access to parks; access to arts, recreation and cultural services; jobs and services within walking distances of homes.
63.	No more social housing
64.	make sure qualified recipients are given low income housing or other related services. Ensure that strict rules are adhered.
65.	This is an extremely flawed survey and I find the use of the language "I don't care" appalling when we're talking about services that impact hundreds of thousands of people in a very significant way (TTC, affordable housing, etc.) The City is responsible for continuing to provide the services that it currently provides. Why is it, exactly, that we're looking at a deficit? What ideologically-based decisions has the Mayor and the executive made that are in NO WAY FINANCIALLY SOUND (ex. privatization of services like garbage collection, subway building vs. light rail, etc.)? User fees for those who cannot afford to pay are not an effective way to provide services for residents.
66.	Toronto is one of the biggest cities....it does not have enough art support....ttc is overly expensive....housing costs and services are through the roof....it does not even have access for those who can't afford to see simple things like the museum....every country has a major city museum with one free night or day for those that can't afford it....we don't even have that. You have over paid city employees doing the bare minimal in work while the tax payers foot the bill.
67.	Equity, access and safety are crucial. Transit, housing, childcare are essential. / Contracting out can work well for Partnerships with Not for Profit agencies/community partners. Mixed model of delivery works well.
68.	Get more for transit from Province / Get more for housing from Feds
69.	Please collect the back rent owed by TCHC tenants (\$4 millions dollars)
70.	inspection of childcare programs and facilities. Why 2 levels of inspection (on top of municipal Health) while middle income-earners go without fee subsidies? Also why does Planning have project managers for TCHC revitalization projects if these initiatives are being scrutinized, so should the positions.
71.	1. Retain and fix up social housing properties; increase supply; do not sell. / 2. Change the tone of Council to one of cooperation and consultation.
72.	The role of City Council is not to ensure that Toronto runs as a business, but rather that the people of Toronto can have their basic needs met. Services like health care, water sanitation, housing and daycare are essential, and should not be entrusted to the private sector, which values profits above quality of service.

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73.	Include alternative models of living, such as how a business or building can contribute to the overall welfare of the local community. It's interesting how the cooperative building I live in involves and includes its residents into feeling proud of the space, by creating committees to oversee the running of the business, as well as creating green-roofs to improve the health of the city. / If there are ways to encourage developers in creating housing that replenishes the infrastructure versus drawing on and draining it.
74.	please provide more accessibility for disabled persons, particularly now as the largest percentage of the population is rapidly approaching retirement. Currently as a disabled person I struggle greatly day to day. There is no accessible housing in Toronto and the waiting list for accessible subsidized housing is 15 years. I might be dead by the time I see relief at that rate, or is that the idea???
75.	health promotion, affordable housing and community support go hand in hand.
76.	Council members need to realize that the decisions that they make today will affect the city in the long run. Selling off the waterfront lands and affordable housing is a short term band aid solution that is not fixing the real problem. Council members need to make their own decisions and not let one persons opinions represent the entire council. The ward system also needs to be adjusted to have proportional representation.
77.	Work with Federal govt. on child care/full day kindergarten program to reduce the burden of parents and provide affordable housing. Put the policy or law in place to reduce the monthly rent of apartment buildings cause currently at least 40-50% city dwellers have to spend more than 70% of their income on housing putting their livelihood in measury.
78.	Keep the history of Toronto. The Mayor and Councillor Doug Ford do not have the rights to rename Toronto's subway station. It is a shame to sell out to corporate sector. The City of Toronto will become a polarized City (rich vs. poor) if Mayor Ford continue to sell out Toronto housing and let the rich people rule our community. Put yourself in resident's shoes before you make those decisions. Don't tarnish the City of Toronto.
79.	Affordable housing and public transit are critical for this city!
80.	NO MORE CONDO"S Reduction of rental housing shortage imperative. Suggest a minimum (10% at least) # of units in every condo development be available as rentals. This would put a huge dent in housing shortage. /
81.	Stop funding affordable housing.

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82.	Services are long-term investments in the overall health of a city. Line by line auditing something for an annual budget does not account for how valuable it is to have a kid stay out of jail because there is a recreation centre to go to, or how valuable it is for people to have food and stable housing so they can work a job and contribute with taxes. Additionally, privatizing services is NOT cost saving. Someone is making a PROFIT from running the service (which the city does not) ... and the workers get paid less money in wages and therefore contribute less in their overall taxes. Lower paid workers also need to rely more heavily on the social safety net (instead of funding it with their taxes) because they make a shit wage.
83.	Toronto Community Housing Corp. - they are negligent, and operate like slum lords, a majority of their properties are in serious need of repair
84.	Do not cut or reduce basic services such as EMS, good roads, and create more supports for low-income people in the city. Reduce transportation costs (public transit) for children & students, seniors and everyone, so that we can get around daily and not be isolated. Provide A LOT MORE AFFORDABLE housing!!!!!! Give more income to the WELCOME program for families to be able to access programs for their children and themselves when they are in a low-income situation - do not cap the number. Every child in the city should have the same / access to facilities!!
85.	increase welfare and affordable housing
86.	Seriously - start charging user fees for community centres and sports facilities. Also, erect gantries or entry gates to tax cars from the 905 region. No user fees at all? Come on. By the same token, people on social assistance/disability should get reduced TTC fares. I think Toronto should also get out of the social housing business. Let the free market decide.
87.	Child care, subsidized housing, employment are not the business of the city. Those programs help a minority of the people that need help, and are more likely to help people who are connected with city employees than the most needy. Those programs are badly run by the city, because it does not have the funding or expertise to run them. Toronto should tell the Feds that they set the immigration policy, so they have the obligation to provide the necessary support to all our immigrants.
88.	Ensure Seniors needs are taken care of ie. housing. medical, transportation
89.	Affordable housing has long been neglected by all levels of government - I ask the city to take care of its citizens and help them take care of themselves and exit out of poverty.
90.	some services (such as public housing) should be done at a Federal Level and NOT a city level. / if they can be "uploaded" back to them, that would be great.
91.	Public transit improvements should focus on service to poor communities. Affordable housing is a top priority.
92.	Consider the impact on the direct users of the services. The users of public libraries, community centres, subsidized housing and day cares have to be listened to. Their faith cannot be held by people who don't need and/or not using these services.

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93.	<p>The city needs to look after the needs of its citizens regarding housing, public health, transit, emergency services, infrastructure, water etc. in a manner that is accountable to its citizens and where they can vote out of power any councillors/mayors who are not looking after their best interests. Services that make money should have the profits put back into maintaining the services that do not and never will. People who can afford to are willing to pay their taxes for these services with the understanding that they improve the lives and safety of everyone in the present and have for themselves/family in the past and will do so in the future. People also use different services at different times in their lives. If you charge user fees for services to people that have no money you are denying them a public right. If you allow people to pay their taxes only for those services that they personally are currently using you are creating a society of great inequality and denying a public trust. I do not have children but believe that I have an obligation to support family and children's services. I don't have a car but will support roads if transit is also supported by those who do not use it etc. / / I also do not see that it serves anyone to put thousands of public sector workers out of a job or working as low paid contact workers for companies that will end up charging whatever they can get away with once they have the contact and have dismantled the public sector infrastructure. / / If however you are going to insist on contracting out some services, they should be where where quality, fairness of application, security of information or an ability for prejudicial treatment would not be an issue e.g. parking tickets and lots. They would also be those services where profits could be made or no one would want to take it on. Most of the services for low income people, emergency/fire/police/environmental services/infrastructure/libraries do not fit into this category so this survey is not a useful indicator of what and how the city should be doing. / / / There are some services that could be contracted out where quality, fairness of application, security of information or an ability for prejudicial treatment would not be an issue e.g. parking tickets and lots. They would also be those services where profits could be made or no one would want to take it on. Most of the services for low income people, emergency/fire/police/environmental services/infrastructure/libraries do not fit into this category so this survey is not a useful indicator of what and how the city should be doing. /</p>

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94.	<p>On our street there are 3 or 4 houses that are owned by the city and run like social housing. In one of those houses the husband has a full time job at the Sun Newspaper, has recently purchased a car, received a city parking permit and the house is being rented (we believe) as if the woman is a single mother of 4 children. They probably bring in more money in a year than the average person on this street. Fraud, just as this, need to be strenuously investigated, stopped and prosecuted. One of the other homes is a 3 bedroom home with 2 people living in it - surely there is someone on a list with a larger family that is more needy of larger home. The sense of entitlement has to stop, no one is guaranteed a job, or a home for life. The City should be getting out of the property business. TCHC should be rolled into a separate company, run by the private sector, with no additional funding from the City.</p>
95.	<p>I resent that the survey continuously asked whether I think reducing costs is more important than maintaining quality - why do these things have to be mutually exclusive? Did we not learn anything from Walkerton? Quality is ALWAYS the most important factor when it comes to the health and safety of the population, and the majority of the services in question here - from waste disposal to tree maintenance to libraries to housing to public transit - ARE FUNDAMENTALLY ABOUT HEALTH AND SAFETY. To compromise on the quality of ANY of these services is a betrayal to the entire population and - as the largest city in Canada - to the entire nation. It is offensive and deeply troubling that the bottom line would ever be considered more important than health and safety.</p>
96.	<p>The interests of the poor and vulnerable should be one of the most important factors when making decisions about services. Home owners, car owners, businesses and higher income earning people already hold most of the power in the city. If you can afford to own a home, car or business, then you can afford increases to taxes a lot more than a person living in poverty who needs essential services like shelters, affordable housing, transportation and dignity can afford cuts to such services. Let's keep things in perspective people.... people are more important than the bottom line!!!!!!</p>
97.	<p>Willing to pay more for services ,but want some accountability . Tired of seeing the same roads get torn up by different agencies year after year. Is there really no way they can work together? Tired of developers designing our downtown...they need to fund more greenspace/community events if they are going to keep putting up ugly glass slabs. Affordable housing should be a stopgap and not a lifestyle choice (except for those in dire circumstances for physical reasons).</p>

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98.	We need a clear vision of what city we want to have in 2015, 2020 etc. And having such goal, we can plan for it by RAISING TAXES I making sure that all Torontonians can fully benefit from living in "livable"(!) city. Some things (transportation, culture, arts, environment, housing) have to be expensive and focusing on cuts is only slowing down the progress. / Police budget has to be lowered significantly - it's simply unacceptable the proportions between the police expense and other obligations paid by the city. If we invest in safer communities where youth can be motivated, educated, and employed, we will not need to spend so much on police, but to see that the long-term goals and vision have to be established and worked towards.
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100.	Some services should have a plan; for example our public library system has millions of users; but is there any program / plan to actively make the majority of users donators? While public housing provides some housing for our elderly, physically / mental issues persons, and financially challenged; is their a support system / timeline in place to help users improve their finances so they don't need public housing?
101.	More jobs and better accessibility to quality jobs are better than cheaper housing and teaching homeless people to walk on stilts. / Also, the inability to fire city workers who do the minimum amount of work and get paid as if they worked hard all day is a crock. Contract out.
102.	Toronto is a livable city with fabulous services for everyone that lives here. It is important that we do NOT look at Toronto as a business - we are not here to MAKE money for Toronto - we are here to provide a livable city - which includes accessible services such as parks, swimming pools, libraries, employment services, affordable housing, long term health care, day care etc..... these city services are here to make this a city for ALL people to live in and afford to live in. if you want to make minimum wage \$25/hr then you can increase fees for service but until then we need to stop pretending that we are a world class city when Toronto has one of the highest rates of working poor.
103.	Please consider that most of the residents in Toronto value good public transit, a livable city with affordable housing, and good community services that respect the diversity of our city. The police services don't need a raise but public health, the libraries and the community centres need more and sustained funding.
104.	Consider the public - public service, public transit, public housing, public spaces.

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105.	Concentrate on core services. Water, sewers, roads, potholes, snow clearing, clean parks, well run recreation centres, pools, ice rinks and libraries; all open as much as possible. Try to get out of the welfare and housing rackets. Press the provincial governments to take this crap over. Get out of the grant business except for rare and exceptional events. No more annual grants to theatres and other such things that should be able to stand or fall by themselves. Start up money for two years is ok, but not a lifetime annual income. Put the squeeze on the Ontario Lottery and Gaming outfit for the return of some of our gambling money as their infamous grants for hospitals, recreation centres and rinks that you only see in small town Ontario. Perhaps a City Lotto if it could be established. If not, perhaps a Hospital type annual or bi-annual lottery. For every service, make it pass the smell test. Is it necessary? Do 50% or more of the city residents need/use it? If not, consider reducing or eliminating it if it is not a core service. Don't spend money on things like a homeless survey!!!!
106.	PEOPLE should be the main concern. Social welfare programs, affordable living (housing, transit, health, education). Animals are an important part of life. They need proper care and consideration. Animals for entertainment, for sale, for profit, should NOT be supported or allowed. LIVES and DIGNITY must come first. Culture, Social programs are important for a thriving community
107.	There is a great need not to cut services or increase user fee's for our social rec. programs especially to our youth and youth in high risk neighbourhoods. Also there needs to be a greater effort placed on building more diverse and affordable housing units for our population. Mixed housing not ghetto ising low income people.
108.	Cutting services to those that need it most IS NOT the way to balance the budget. Public Health, housing for the homeless and under-housed, TTC are all important to ensuring that our city remains great. We have to ensure the health of all those that live here. I'm ashamed that the city is even CONSIDERING cutting funding to these programs.
109.	Many major US cities have tried outsourcing their services to outside contractors. Today we all can see their results in run down schools because the custodial staff work for minimum wage, community centres that no longer serve the needs of their communities, libraries that used to be first class, and homeless shelters after the public housing was privatized. Doesn't this tell you where we are headed. The lesson .... You get what you pay for .... NOTHING comes cheap. If you want quality service ... then you have to pay for it.
110.	Councillors should think big - we should work together to build a better city, and that means we have to actually pay for things. We should invest in infrastructure, the environment, housing, daycare, parks, etc. I'm well paid. It would cost me more to have a municipal income tax. And homeowner or renter (and I've been both), property taxes cost me.. But that's fine. Let's have a beautiful city that we can be proud of and that will be something our children can be proud of, even in awe of. Let's not be petty, vindictive, mean spirited, and small minded.



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111.	Evaluate duplication of services offered by the City. For example, why does Toronto Environment Office and the Environmental Protection Office of Public Health do environmental work. Services provided by the City need to be re-evaluated. City housing should be sold when it is located in particularly expensive areas and relocated to less expensive areas. The City would be able to provide more TEMPORARY housing this way. City housing should not be viewed as a permanent solution. As stated previously, EMS response to 9-1-1 calls also needs to be reassessed (multiple responders are not needed for calls of a minor nature).
112.	/ Please ensure that any contract has a fair wage or we will need a sharp increase in affordable housing.
113.	Talk to the province to upload housing. They should be doing it. They mandate it.
114.	Consider that some of the money saved by contracting out certain service needs can provide more income stream to fund the TTC or public housing. Another idea for public housing could be to invite different architectural firms to compete to create the best green/space design. I think one way to reduce costs is to create competition. Just an idea. If you want to hire me as a marketing person, I'm all ears. Thanks!!
115.	In our neighbourhood it is made up of residential housing, however, vacant or old industrial lots are being purchased to build apartments/condo/s which are significantly larger than the rest of the neighbourhood. While some increase in density can be accommodated what cannot is the lack of parking that is being planned for these buildings. If some developer wants to come in and make a bundle on building high density housing in a residential neighbourhood they have to be expected to build underground parking so that the streets are not taken up with additional vehicles due to lack of planning for parking.
116.	North Americans expect their cities to provide a large array of services at minimal cost, all funded by property tax revenues. / / What might make more sense is to increase user fees, so that demand for city services can be better analysed. / / Additionally, the city should consider outsourcing most of its activities outside of policing, the courts, public health, planning, engineering and a few other core areas. Services such as transit, waste collection, employment services, housing, water treatment and recreation should be considered for outsourcing where quality standards and cost target (set by the city). The role of city staff would change to one of tendering, contract supervision and planning. Many of the city services that are most vital to the functioning of the city (water treatment, transit) are entirely contracted out in Europe, with the result that quality is improved and cost is constrained.
117.	Answering this questionnaire was a learning experience for me. I was astonished at the number / variety of services City Hall is supposedly providing at the present time. Is this why City Services have deteriorated so much over the last 7 or 8 years? Is City Hall trying to be all things to all people? The sad thing is that city services desperately needed by the people at large (like road maintenance, public transit, garbage

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	<p>collection) have become a joke, while City Hall bends over backward to invent new services it can provide to a select few (subsidized theatre, bicycle lanes and green roofs come to mind). / / I think it would be productive to think of city services not only in terms of what needs to be done by the city and what does not, but in terms of what services are not needed at all. Some services can and should be privatized and others need to be eliminated altogether. / / For example, in my view the city should provide water / garbage / paramedics (EMS) / police / public transportation / road maintenance. The city can contract out these services in some cases. I am strongly for contracting out garbage collection, and some security services currently provided by the police for instance. I think that allowing jitneys would be great as the TTC is a disgrace and competition would be a nice wake up call for TTC management/unionists. Just to be clear, by saying that a given service is needed and should be provided by the city, I do not mean that no cutting should be done. Actually, I see wastefulness everywhere I turn in this city. Why are road crews of 6-9 men seen everywhere when 3 would do the job nicely? Some repairs done two years ago by the city on my street were eye-opening. Nine workers were sent out by the city. At any given time, only one or two were working. Disgusting. And Miller wondered why we were so angry at his tax increases! / / Other services don't need to be done by the city at all and/or need to be pared down drastically. The TCHC has become a giant entity, totally out of control. It needs to be contracted out, and then reduced. Impoverished families and individuals should be able to rent apartments where they wish and private landlords can be paid by the city. We also have an overlong waiting lists of subsidized housing so lets put some rules in place as to how long any one tenant/family can remain in subsidized housing. Five years is long enough for people to better their circumstances. Then they get bounced out to make room for others. / / Draconian cuts are also needed at City Hall. There are far too many civil servants, doing precious little. The 311 service is a nice convenience but not a necessity and I shudder to think of how much glorified phone clerks get paid. / / A couple more words: / Toronto Public Health needs to be uploaded to the province. The city can save a few dollars that way. / A layoff of at least 10% of our police force is in order. We are an aging society and violent crime is on the decline. Also, construction sites/road crews should hire private security staff, not police officers. Or put up pylons. / Environment is not a municipal issue properly speaking. It falls under the domain of the Federal government and should be treated as such. / Toronto's subsidies to the arts community have become a vile way for the establishment/civil servants to funnel taxpayer dollars to friends and relatives who pretend to be artists. Those rewarded with "grants" are nearly always frauds, not genuine working artists. I would like to see this practice discontinued. Real artists sink or swim on their own merit as we always have. / Citizens should not be subsidizing the living costs of Toronto Island residents. They should pay for their own ferries and their own police services. / It has become apparent that councillors need to be told what is and is not appropriate in the way of expenditures. I'm not pleased that 12</p>

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	Toronto City Councillors are going to Halifax for the Federation of Municipalities conference. Frivolous expenditures should be disallowed. (They can still go, but on their own dime.) / / Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to participate in this process.
118.	Maintaining city control over all aspects of quality of life for city-dwellers (i.e. no privatization); focusing on improving and building sustainable infrastructure for the long-term (public transit, housing, health, green space); always prioritizing caring for the vulnerable.
119.	Think about the long term effects of the decisions that are made. A cut to a service or privatization of a service or an increase in user fees to the point that it makes important programs, services, and public spaces inaccessible to citizens can end up costing the city more in the future. The provision of community services, recreation programs, health services, newcomer services, resources for families, affordable housing, etc are essential services for people of the city of Toronto, and if access to these programs is removed in an effort to save money, the social ramifications of this will end up costing the city more in crime, unemployment, poverty, homelessness, etc.
120.	TCHC need to be managed by private company. A company that understands property management. When the city is funding agencies to help seniors, they need to look at what types of programs they are actually delivering. I do not want to go on and on about this but I would be happy to share with you many things, I have observed that need more accountability
121.	The public needs to be consulted on every major change the City wants to make. The Mayor needs to allow debate in council, and let council vote and decide on all major decisions, like the decisions about TCHC and Transit City. I find it appalling that democratic procedures were not being followed.
122.	The employment rate, cleaner housing units, preventive programs so that Ontario Works is not just the next easy option for most families..they should have programs in place that are more proactive in preventing a huge percentage of the population on the system, EI recipients are not treated or protected enough. Affordable Daycare and the procedure needs to be reviewed
123.	To be a viable city of the 21st century we need to make significant improvements in social programs like food security and affordable housing, and in environmental issues like air quality, and in cultural, recreational and arts programs. Council should always preface any decision with "What would Jane Jacobs do?"

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124.	Please remember that a large number of Toronto's citizens care more about long-term goals of ecological sustainability, social justice, and vibrant arts and culture, than they care about a balanced budget. We need a liveable city that we can be proud of, not a city that marginalizes large numbers of its citizens, or drives around isolated in cars. We need a clean waterfront, better infrastructure in all neighbourhoods, more affordable housing and settlement services in the suburbs for newcomers (who do contribute positively to our economy!), and accessible and clean (green) public transportation.
125.	The city council should keep in mind that many Torontonians (especially children) are living in poverty. Therefore housing (subsidized), childcare and social assistance are all necessary services if we want to create an environment for the next generation of Torontonians. I would like to see more youth graduating from post-secondary and finding positions with the city of Toronto.
126.	look at trends on spend and income to define essential services and look for better contracting out. Look to sell TCHC properties under provision that supports private owners to manage the service and provide back or through defined income to those that need it
127.	In considering any cuts to City programs I would ask council, and his lordship the Mayor, to please remember why it is the budget shortfall has occurred in the first place. A good portion of it is legacy fadoodling by the Mike Harris conservative agenda dumping social programs like subsidized housing and other ridiculously expensive items on municipal shoulders. If the Province mandates these services by law, the Province needs to fund them. Period, full stop. If the Province will not fund then the City should not offer these services and that's the way the citizens should understand it. "It's not a municipal responsibility to provide this service. Talk to your MPP." If I have to choose between a pre-existing City Program or the post-Harris Provincially mandated obligation - the City mandate shall ALWAYS come first.
128.	Take into account the costs associated with NOT providing services such as forestry, parks, clean water, libraries, health services, affordable housing, community centres, support for families, etc., in terms
129.	Property taxes increase significantly - is there a way to alleviate this? (salaries do not increase at the same percentage as the property taxes as well as Cost of Living Allowance) This makes it hard to remain in the households we are currently living in and forces people to move - especially seniors. Or to regulate the housing market so keep the property tax actual value low. Also, the waste disposal every summer tends to be sloppy and the stench of garbage juice is left on the streets for days, or until it rains. Is there immediate accountability for the quality of government services?
130.	Please work hard on housing in the city, and community run programs for the youths
131.	Sell TCHC scattered houses! This kind of waist is inexplicable.

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132.	This survey was a dreadful example of binary thinking and pandering to populist ideology. There is need for nuances between 'city provides' 'Contract out'; 'user fees' or 'property tax', 'quality' or 'cost' - There is nothing said about overall vision, overarching policy choices. For instance the police budget is bloated and should be cut, but it does not mean that we need lower quality of policing; we need a different kind of policing and we need the city not to be hostage to the police force. We also need to have the city realise that there is less need for policing, mental health care, subsidised housing when people have easier access to / -jobs (public transit issue), / -recreation such as sports, recreation and arts resources (community centres) / -reliable and high quality child care and senior care / -affordable and non-discriminatory housing. / Societies with a bigger gap between rich and poor are bad for everyone including the well-off. The level of fairness and equality in a society affects more positively life expectancy, decreasing violence, mental health problems and illiteracy than the society's wealth.
133.	The biggest problem is the gap between rich and poor. This affects crime, health, transit, housing, parks, the environment, you name it.
134.	I do not support a reduction in services. I am a social worker working for Children's Aid. Every day I come into contact with marginalized children, youth and families who rely on city services (housing, social services, employment services, 311 etc). I thought about all my clients when I filled out this survey today. how about some longer term planning for the city. I would never elect Rob Ford again ...
135.	Privatization is not a functional solution. Private companies may save the city money, but they are not in a position to ensure that the services they provide pave the way for a truly equitable city. Previous attempts, for instance, to rely on the private sector for affordable housing resulted in a massive housing shortfall. Please, do not pawn off services to the market.
136.	No Contracting Out Of City Services / Bring Back Transit City / Do Not Sell Of Public Housing / Do Not Privatize Garbage Collection
137.	I agree with whoever said that a civilization (and a city) is judged by how it treats its weakest members. If Toronto is to be a truly great city, it must provide for those in need. This includes housing for those who lack adequate shelter, transportation for those who do not have access to a car, and support for those who are trying to gain a foothold in society.

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138.	I think we should consider getting people more jobs and educating people. Why? If the people who do not have jobs, have jobs the city will be in a better state. The people with jobs can buy what they need. But we also need to provide for those with the less fortunate.. Educate if possible. People with mental illness can get jobs too we need to find proper employment that they can do. / We need to help kids who are becoming violent..so we do not have violent individuals in the future as adults. We need housing for people, and food. If people have no food and can't afford it that will increase crime because they have a necessity that isn't met. Some mental illness is founded by lack of food. We also need to train parents to be proper parents.. lots of education and job foundation. Libraries help individuals on places to go to read and educate them selves.. They help people research. Parks and forests help with relaxation and hiking. It provides a release from the city stresses that happen daily.
139.	City housing costs way too much money. The city should get out of the landlord business. Think about some of the exorbitant salaries being paid to city executives such as TTC CEO, Toronto Hydro, etc.
140.	The city is really into events that are for specific communities e.g.. heritage events for various immigrant groups, events for pet owners etc. I don't want to fund events and services that I am not eligible to use. Services for the homeless etc are different, I don't need to use them because I don't have a mental health problem but I recognize that anybody could have a mental health problem. / / There should be more done to recoup costs caused by individuals, groups or businesses breaking the law. / / Affordable housing is important for those who can afford to pay rent, are working, and want to live in the city, not just those who are extremely low income and can live rent free or with a huge subsidy. We should care about those who are contributing members of our community as much as we care about those who are unable or chose not to contribute.
141.	Please make this a city which runs well, is safe, cares for its young, poor and most vulnerable. / I would also like to see the environment take on more importance. / Housing and transportation issues impact on everyone and especially those with limited options.
142.	Pleas don't hurt Toronto and clean up the garbage in the park and get the panhandlers off the streets and into some housing
143.	Social services such as affordable housing, recreation programs, etc, are investments for the future of our city. We should not discount the savings they can have on our future service delivery. We need to pressure the federal and provincial governments to pay their share.

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144.	Work at dismantling the current TCHC conglomerate. TCHC is full of words and policies but administration at best is very / evasive. TCHC is not a Housing Management Corporation. Units are purposely allowed to rot, 6 months to 1 year to repair, and only done after the tenant moves out. Why is there such a long wait list, when there are more than a dozen empty units for more than 6 months. Vacancies should not exist in this environment for more than 3 months. / / TCHC is an oppressive management.....City must be fully aware of this.
145.	Make the foundation topics (like housing and healthcare) the main priorities. Topics like planting flowers are nice, but not necessities when there are people hungry.
146.	Yes - grant MORE access by citizens to give input on these decisions BEFORE making them. Go back to the province and request that more of my provincial taxes be RETURNED to the city to pay for things such as transit and affordable housing.
147.	Only services that are essential to the quality of life for tax payers should be provided by the city. Public housing, dental care, etc should <b>***NOT***</b> be part of the city budget!