



Unite for public services
Strengthen the **fabric** of our communities

Here's what some coalition members are saying:

University students:

"Alberta's public post-secondary education system is an important part of our community and our future economic prosperity. Students and other partners in post-secondary education feel that all Albertans should be concerned that cuts will threaten the quality and affordability of that education and so we will actively support the Join Together Alberta campaign."

- *Duncan Wojtaszek, executive director of the Council of Alberta University Students.*

School teachers:

"In September, Alberta's school boards will be \$100 million dollars short of the money they will need to maintain the quality of education that we enjoy today. Up to 1,200 teachers across the province will be looking for work this summer elsewhere, because their job in Alberta has disappeared. We appreciate the government's recent announcement of new schools, but the schools are useless unless we have the staff inside them to inspire our students."

- *Sharon Armstrong, vice-president of the Alberta Teachers' Association.*

People with Developmental Disabilities:

"Due to underfunding of essential public services, the Community Disabilities sector continues to struggle with retention of its most skilled workers as there has been no increase allowed for our staff for the past three years. This under-funding of programs and staff of course has a serious impact on some of Alberta's most vulnerable people, which should not be the case in such a wealthy province."

- *Lynn Groves Hautmann, chair of Edmonton Region Community Disabilities Work Force.*