



ON OCTOBER 22ND VOTE FOR BETTER PUBLIC TRANSIT IN TORONTO

Are you tired of waiting for overcrowded subways, streetcars, and buses? Are you frustrated paying expensive TTC fares?

You are not alone.

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?

LONG COMMUTE TIMES

In 2017, 535 million people used the TTC, but the number of users has stalled in recent years, increasing traffic on the roads.

28% OF TORONTO HOUSEHOLDS DO NOT OWN A CAR



Many people rely on the TTC. People are spending more time on transit getting to where they need to be, which means less time with family and friends. Racialized people and women experience longer commute times than other populations.

16% OF RESIDENTS SPEND



GETTING TO WORK USING THE TTC

HIGH COSTS

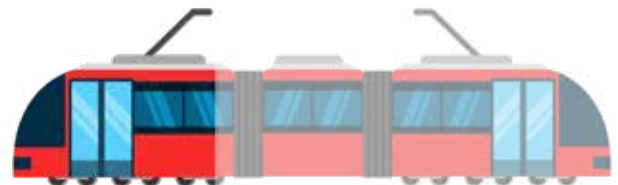
TTC Metropass prices keep increasing, but not enough public money is being invested to address the needs of all TTC riders. Transit riders outside of the downtown core have been especially impacted by service cuts.

COST* OF A MONTHLY METROPASS:



* An increase of \$37.25 between 2009 & 2018

Many low-income residents cannot afford a Metro-pass. As a result, they pay more, not less, per ride.



AFTER PAYING RENT & TAXES, MINIMUM WAGE FAMILIES SPEND **35%** OF THEIR REMAINING INCOME ON TRANSIT



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HOW CAN CITY COUNCIL MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

The City of Toronto can improve access to public transit by committing to:

- Reduce TTC fares for an additional 157,000 lower-income adults by fully implementing the **Fair Pass Program** (discount passes are available to people on Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program; now it's time to extend the program to those receiving housing and child care subsidies and others with low incomes).
- Increase **funding for the TTC**.
- Expand the TTC network and improve bus services to connect **riders living outside of downtown**.
- Work with the provincial government to ensure that public transit is accessible for **riders with disabilities**, as required by the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act.
- Fund and build the **Relief Line** by 2031. The Relief Line should extend north to serve Thorncliffe and Flemingdon Park, and connect with the Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit.

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR CANDIDATES:

- How and when will you make TTC fares affordable for everyone, especially low-income people?
- What are your strategies for making transit more accessible across our city?
- What are your strategies for increasing municipal funding for the TTC?
- Are you committed to implementing and funding the 2nd and 3rd phases of the Fair Pass Program?

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