

The Next Mayor Must Make the Climate Crisis a Priority

It's time for dramatic action

We see droughts, floods and heat waves around the world. In **Toronto** there are signs of worsening weather events: flooding, and increasingly severe heat waves.

The climate emergency can't be separated from our desire for a liveable city.

People suffer:

- when they are unhoused in heat waves and ice storms
- when they can't afford healthy food
- when public transit is too expensive
- when there are no public parks nearby
- when Council disregards the underlying causes of violence
- when public services are starved for funding

Toronto already has a plan: Transform TO.

To "Reduce community-wide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in Toronto to net zero by 2040." It is a question of priorities: ***the plan is currently only funded at 25%.***

Ask your candidate:

1. Will you **fully fund** and implement **Toronto's Net Zero Strategy** at 100% of the budget required, plus:

- convert all city-owned buildings to net zero
- mandate net zero for all new buildings?

2. Will you **reverse all cuts to TTC** service and make public transit free?

- Will you double the TTC bus fleet immediately?

3. Will you reverse the decision to refurbish the **Gardiner**?

4. What are your public **adaptation** strategies to support vulnerable populations facing the effects of climate change?

5. How will you address the needs of urban **Indigenous** people with respect to social justice, housing, income, and adaptation to changing climate conditions?

6. Are you prepared to block the expansion of the **Portlands gas plant** and shut it down?

7. Will you preserve and expand our public parks and green spaces, including **Ontario Place**?

Seniors for Climate Action Now! (SCAN!) is calling for emergency climate action at all levels of government.



Interested in participating in our mayoralty campaign events? E-mail: info@seniorsforclimateactionnow.org