

RIGHT TO FOOD

DIGITAL DAY OF ACTION

TOOLKIT

1. CALL

Find your councillor's phone number in the table below. If you don't have a Toronto-based postal code, you can call the mayor's office. You can also contact the councillor of a ward you work in, study in or spend time in. The more calls made, the better! Here's an example of what you can say:

Hi,

Thank you for taking my call. My name is [name] and I am a resident of [Toronto/Ward].

I'm calling in support of the motion to update the Toronto Food Charter, which is item EC28.15 on the agenda for the City Council meeting on April 6th.

City Council unanimously passed the current Food Charter over twenty years ago, but food insecurity is a crisis in our city.

1 in 5 households in Toronto are food insecure and that number is even higher for Black and Indigenous households.

We need an updated food charter that's written by the communities most impacted by food insecurity and poverty, and community groups that are working to defend the food rights of their communities.

I would also like to see the City include a mechanism to ensure that it is accountable to its commitments under the new charter.

I think it's important that the [Councillor Name/Mayor Tory] support the motion when it comes to council for consideration on the 6th.

(if you're talking to a person)

Do you know how the [Mayor/Councillor] intends to vote on this motion?

(if you're leaving a voicemail)

I'd like to hear an update from your office on how the [Mayor/Councillor] intends to vote on this motion. I can be reached at [phone number/email].

On April 6, 2022 Toronto City Council will be voting on a motion (Item EC28.15) that calls for an update to the Toronto Food Charter as part of the Toronto Poverty Reduction Strategy 2023-2026 Term Action Plan.

We are calling on the City to adopt the motion and support the development of a new Toronto Food Charter written by the folks most impacted by food insecurity and those working to defend the food rights of their communities.

2. EMAIL

Go to foodshare.net/righttofood to use our easy email tool to send an email to city councillors, Mayor Tory and the Secretariat

Note: Emails to the Secretariat are added to the public record of support for the motion.

3. TWEET

Reach out to councillors via social media - try tweeting something like:

We need a food charter that reflects the needs of those most impacted by food insecurity: Black & Indigenous folks, people with disabilities, people living on a low income, workers & renters. I'm calling on [Councillor/Mayor] to support an updated Toronto Food Charter! #RightToFood

4. REPORT BACK

Help us keep track of our joint impact by filling out a quick form when you're done at bit.ly/3wDsmXH

Learn more at foodshare.net/righttofood



Use the table below to find your councillor's name and contact information based on your ward. If you're not sure about your ward, you can use the City of Toronto's Find Your Councillor tool.

	Mayor	Email	Phone Number	Twitter
	John Tory	mayor_tory@toronto.ca	416-397-2489	@JohnTory
Ward	Councillor	Email	Phone Number	Twitter
Etobicoke North	Michael Ford	councillor_mford@toronto.ca	416-397-9255	@MichaelFordTO
Etobicoke Centre	Stephen Holyday	councillor_holyday@toronto.ca	416-392-4002	@stephenholyday
Etobicoke Lakeshore	Mark Grimes	councillor_grimes@toronto.ca	416-397-9273	@Mark_Grimes
Parkdale-High Park	Gord Perks	councillor_perks@toronto.ca	416-392-7919	@gordperks
York South-Weston	Frances Nunziata	councillor_nunziata@toronto.ca	416-392-4091	@FrancesNunziata
York Centre	James Pasternak	councillor_pasternak@toronto.ca	416-392-1371	@PasternakTO
Humber River-Black Creek	Anthony Perruzza	councillor_perruzza@toronto.ca	416-338-5335	@PerruzzaTO
Eglinton-Lawrence	Mike Colle	councillor_colle8@toronto.ca	416-338-2500	@MikeColleTo
Davenport	Ana Bailão	councillor_bailao@toronto.ca	416-392-7012	@anabailaoTO
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University-Rosedale	Mike Layton	councillor_layton@toronto.ca	416-392-4009	@m_layton
Toronto-St.Paul's	Josh Matlow	councillor_matlow@toronto.ca	416-392-7906	@JoshMatlow
Toronto Centre	Kristyn Wong-Tam	councillor_wongtam@toronto.ca	416-392-7903	@kristynwongtam
Toronto-Danforth	Paula Fletcher	councillor_fletcher@toronto.ca	416-392-4060	@PaulaFletcherTO
Don Valley West	Jaye Robinson	councillor_robinson@toronto.ca	416-395-6408	@JayeRobinson
Don Valley East	Denzil Minnan-Wong	councillor_minnan-wong@toronto.ca	416-397-9256	@DenzilMW
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Willowdale	John Fillion	councillor_fillion@toronto.ca	416-392-0210	@JohnFillionTO
Beaches-East York	Brad Bradford	councillor_bradford@toronto.ca	416-338-2755	@BradMBradford
Scarborough Southwest	Gary Crawford	councillor_crawford@toronto.ca	416-392-4052	@CllrCrawford
Scarborough Centre	Michael Thompson	councillor_thompson@toronto.ca	416-397-9274	@Thompson_37
Scarborough-Agincourt	Nick Mantas	Councillor_Mantas@toronto.ca	416-392-1374	@nickmantas_
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Scarborough Guildwood	Paul Ainslie	councillor_ainslie@toronto.ca	416-392-4008	@cllrainslie
Scarborough Rouge Park	Jennifer McKelvie	councillor_mckelvie@toronto.ca	416-338-3771	@McKelvieWard25