

THEORY OF CHANGE

FoodShare’s Theory of Change serves as the foundation for our programming and advocacy. It encourages us to take a continual and critical look at the work we are currently doing as well as the work we need to be doing to bring us closer to our vision: a Toronto where everyone can feed themselves, their family and their community with dignity and joy.

- Definitions**
- Current conditions:** the realities of food insecurity in Toronto that influence the scope of our work
 - Strategies:** our high-level plan for addressing these realities
 - Actions:** the specific steps we will take to execute our plan
 - Impacts:** the intended outcome of these steps
 - Vision:** our ultimate goal

CURRENT CONDITIONS

In Canada the Right to Food has been legally recognized since 1976 but is not yet realized.

The inherent ancestral rights to access land and water for Indigenous nations is not respected.

Black households are 3.56 times more likely than white households to be food insecure in Canada.

Indigenous households are more likely to be severely food insecure and more than 50 First Nations communities do not have clean drinking water.

White people are overrepresented in leadership positions in nonprofits, including in the community food movement.

65% of food insecure households report their main sources of income as wages and salaries from employment. Low wage and precarious jobs mean that full time workers still don’t earn enough to be food secure.

Climate change is an imminent threat to our food system and will affect Black, Indigenous and People of Colour (BIPOC) communities most severely.

Our local food system depends on the labour and exploitation of Black and brown food system workers, and their work is largely made invisible.

