

support for the tcat plan on active transportation

Below are some of the groups and businesses that support the TCAT plan.



**South Riverdale
Community Health Centre**



Cycle Ontario



**Toronto
bicycling
Network**

walking and biking is active transportation

Whether you cycle and walk for fun, fitness or because it's the most convenient way to get around town, we all know that a city where it is safe and enjoyable to walk and bike is a great city to live in.

Toronto could be a world leader in urban living and sustainable transportation.

But...

The City of Toronto dedicates less than 2% of its transportation budget to active transportation which is why we have:

- Too many smog days,
- Increasing greenhouse gas emissions,
- Too many streets where cyclists and pedestrians don't feel safe,
- Kids who never get to know the joy of getting around without a car.

election year

2006 is an election year in the city of Toronto.

Make sure your candidate supports active transportation.

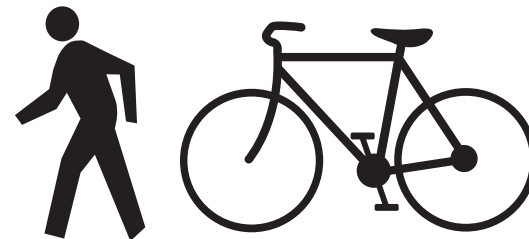
Vote for clean air.

Vote for safer streets.

Vote for healthy living.

tcat

toronto coalition for active transportation



*A city where cycling
and walking are safe
and enjoyable is a
great place to live!*

Vote with your feet.

Vote Bike in 2006.

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build

Active Transportation requires a continuous and safe network of bike lanes, sidewalks and trails that is well connected with other modes of transportation.

TCAT calls on Council to:

- Add 285 kilometres of bike lanes and paths to the Bikeway Network over the next 4 years.
- Give full support to the development of a pedestrian plan by 2008 that will set a schedule and budget for improved pedestrian infrastructure.
- Put bike racks on all buses by 2010.
- Build secure bike storage at all transit stations by 2010.

integrate

Improvements to cycling and pedestrian infrastructure are taking too long because city procedures often miss opportunities to make things better.

TCAT calls on City Council to:

- ensure that every time a road is reconstructed or resurfaced the cycling and pedestrian infrastructure will be improved.

Improvements to cycling and pedestrian infrastructure often get stalled because of lack of support from local councillors - as a result in 2005 only 1Km of bike lane was actually built!

TCAT calls on City Council to:

- streamline the approval process for bike lanes.

lead

Toronto should be a leader in finding innovative ways to change North American cities into cycling-supportive and walkable cities.

TCAT calls on City Council to:

- Create a groundbreaking, comprehensive Pedestrian Plan by 2008 that will provide an inspiring and detailed blueprint for a walkable Toronto.
- Finish the cycling corridors called for in the Bike Plan that span the City, north to south, east to west and go beyond the Bike Plan to create new corridors.
- Increase the use of cycling and walking to conduct city business.
- Make it easier to create temporary and permanent pedestrian-only zones.

find out more

On the TCAT website,

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find:

- TCAT's Active Transportation Plan
- Get Active in Election 2006
- Candidate Surveys

Does your candidate support active transportation?

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promote

The City does not provide enough resources and staffing to promote active transportation. For example, the annual cycling education, safety and promotion budget is only \$159 000!

TCAT calls on City Council to:

- Support the Green Communities Canada proposal to use 2% of Toronto's portion of the federal gas tax money for education and promotion of active transportation.
- Create four new staff positions to design and implement active transportation promotion and education campaigns.

protect

Many people do not cycle or walk because street design does not adequately protect vulnerable road users from motorized vehicles.

TCAT calls on City Council to:

- Implement the recommendations of the 1998 Coroner's report on cycling fatalities.
- Use new pavement markings that make cyclists and pedestrians more visible.
- Improve intersection design to reduce pedestrian injuries and death.

On Smog Days cyclists and pedestrians need to be protected from polluted air.

TCAT calls on City Council to:

- investigate closing selected streets to cars on smog days in order to create 'clean air corridors' for public transit and active transportation.