

# REImagine. REthink. REengage.

## What Can I Do?

Housing	Food	Employment
Advocate provincially for the re-instatement of Community Start-Up and Maintenance Benefits to keep people from becoming homeless. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/o56p3ts">http://tinyurl.com/o56p3ts</a>	Start a community garden or other self-sufficient options such as container gardening. <a href="http://hcgq.ca">http://hcgq.ca</a>	Pay a living wage and demand your contractors do the same. For more information see <a href="http://livingwagehamilton.ca">http://livingwagehamilton.ca</a>
Champion pocket housing on neighbourhood lots. What is pocket housing? <a href="http://tinyurl.com/gevh9cb">http://tinyurl.com/gevh9cb</a>  Local pocket housing champions: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/nlz2dkn">http://tinyurl.com/nlz2dkn</a>	Demand sustainable food strategies for our city. See Hamilton's own Food Charter for more details. <a href="http://hamiltonfoodcharter.wordpress.com/">http://hamiltonfoodcharter.wordpress.com/</a>	Demand that permanent, full-time jobs are the focus of economic development plans.
Demand a National Housing Strategy from your local MP.	Support a local school snack bar or other food program. <a href="http://www.tastebudshamilton.ca/">http://www.tastebudshamilton.ca/</a>	Support small businesses to keep money local.
Ask your MPP for affordable housing solutions NOW.	Demand affordable & nutritious food options everywhere.	Start a community job bank.
Tell your city councillors you want by-laws that allow for affordable & flexible units. See the city's housing plan here: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/nmbp7ze">http://tinyurl.com/nmbp7ze</a>	Talk to your neighbours about food inadequacy and poor health outcomes.	Ask for universal health benefits for all low income individuals in Ontario so all have access to basic drug, dental and eye care.
Transportation	Pride of Neighbourhood	Green Space
Ask businesses & institutions to provide bicycle options.	Research your neighbourhood's name and it's history.	Keep green spaces green and create new ones, tiny ones.
Demand barrier free options for vehicles and sidewalks.	Join or start a neighbourhood association near you.	Respect the environment. <a href="http://www.greenventure.ca">http://www.greenventure.ca</a>
Tell the Councillors you want a walkable city.	Take care of your home & help your neighbour do the same.	Use the space for neighbourhood events.
Support plans that ensure affordable transportation. Hamilton Transit Users Group has more ideas: <a href="http://hamiltontug.com">http://hamiltontug.com</a>	Work with the city on neighbourhood issues. See the city's neighbourhood development strategy here: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/o8fmh7r">http://tinyurl.com/o8fmh7r</a>	Organize "garbage crawls".
Advocate for policies that respect the environment.	Smile. Say hello. Talk to the person next door.	Encourage your children to get out there. Join them.