



**Good Green Jobs for All
Framework for Action Developed from the November 2009 Conference**

PREAMBLE

We are coming together to build a green movement for all across Greater Toronto with good jobs, equity and social justice, and environmental sustainability.

We are challenged to ensure that current and future generations meet their needs while living in harmony with our planet and each other.

We call upon public minded organizations and community leaders to join with us as we develop campaigns and strategies for a GTA economy with green infrastructure renewal, green manufacturing, and the inclusion of all youth in the green vision.

We expect all levels of government to demonstrate full and active commitment to address climate change and advance human dignity for all in the GTA.

We see key opportunities for impact and results:

STRATEGIES

Develop a Political Agenda for municipal 2010/ provincial/federal 2011

Investing in Green Infrastructure

- Ensure that there is a continuation of major public investment in infrastructure dollars in key communities across Toronto with a focus on low income communities
 - Building public transit
 - Develop public renewable energy
 - Retrofit public buildings
- Finance residential retrofits and small scale renewables

Develop Green Public Policy

- Green procurement
- Green regulations
- Engage, train and hire locally

Advocating for Good Green Jobs for All initiatives / Equity and Employment

- Support initiatives to remove systemic barriers in employment and training, and ensure equitable access to opportunities, programs and apprenticeships
- Develop advocacy strategies and actions on employment equity
- Apply and integrate equity lens into every facet of the work of the coalition

Support and Build a Cross Community Youth Movement

- Engage youth in meaningful leadership
- Work with youth to determine how they will engage in developing a new green movement
- Organize a follow up Good Green Jobs For All youth session in early 2010

Engage the Community and Build Local Capacity

- Undertake grass roots education to encourage a greater understanding on the good green jobs for all agenda
- Educate the public on sustainability
- Support community based environmental programs to assist in the local education process
- Building partnerships and community mandates
- Focus on low income communities and apply equity lens
- Promote joint partnerships of the Coalition's union and community members to train workers for green jobs
- Use local partnerships and procurement
- Share best practices

Grow the Good Green Jobs for All initiatives

- Seek funding and endorsements to undertake the Framework for Action
- Develop and implement a strategy for involving and including local communities, organizations and individuals
- Continue to build and expand the Good Jobs for All network

ACTIONS

Contribute to and initiate joint actions on issues of immediate concerns that relates to the political agenda proposed for 2010/2011

- Work with our community and environmental allies on the December 12 Copenhagen—Climate Change Rally in Toronto
- Organize to protect the integrity and public control of transit in Toronto and the GTA
- Use the upcoming Municipal Election campaign in 2010 and the Provincial Election in 2011 to advance the Good Green Jobs For All political agenda
- Use the Pan Am Games as an opportunity to advance the political agenda

The Good Green Jobs for All Conference Organizing Committee and *The Good Jobs for All Coalition Steering Committee* are extremely gratified at the attendance of 600 conference delegates on November 7. We were also thrilled at the thoughtful and exciting campaign ideas and approaches that the conference put forward. To see photos and participant feedback about the day, we encourage you to check out our website at: <http://goodjobsforall.ca/>

This document is an attempt to synthesize your input and to begin to give it the shape of a Framework for Action so that we can begin to work together to make our agenda for Good Green Jobs for All a reality.

For the Framework to be one that we can all work within, we are looking for feedback on this draft from conference participants; Is this an accurate reflection of the will of the conference? And is this a framework for action that you and your organization can feel part of? Please let us know at info@goodjobsforall.ca