



## **Accessible Housing Network urges city council candidates to sign Accessible Housing Pledge**

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As the Toronto municipal election approaches, the Accessible Housing Network calls on all candidates for city council to sign the Accessible Housing Pledge.

The pledge commits candidates to support universal design in all new apartment buildings, so that anyone of any age or ability can move into them and then stay in their homes.

The need for accessible housing in Toronto is undeniable. Toronto's population of senior citizens is expected to double by 2041. Almost one-quarter of Canadians have a disability. Many people with disabilities are already living in institutions simply because they can't find an accessible home. We need to create enough universal design homes to match Toronto's needs.

The pledge further commits signees to ensure that the city's centralized waiting lists effectively match disabled applicants with the appropriate housing.

Full housing pledge: <https://right2housingto.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Long->

[AffordableHousingPledge-R2HTO.pdf](#)

Candidates are asked to email their commitment to pledge to [info@right2housingto.ca](mailto:info@right2housingto.ca)

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