

The **TORONTO PARTY**

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STOP THE WASTE CAMPAIGN

The "STOP THE WASTE" campaign has its origin in the 2006 election campaign of City Council candidate Tony Dickins. The Toronto Party thanks Tony for developing this theme and for his hard work on behalf of the Don Mills community and of our party. Tony represents what the future for Toronto can be if we are willing to act as one collective voice against the tax-laden policies of our current Council.

For more information about the campaign, please visit:

www.stophthewaste.ca

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

The Toronto Party has a membership that is city-wide. With your help our political revolution will continue to grow and we will be able to restore fiscal responsibility at City Hall.

STOP THE WASTE!

It is now official – Toronto residents will be hit with a 3.8% property tax increase this year. It is a tax increase that is more than twice the rate of inflation.

And given the rumblings coming out of City Hall, Toronto residents can soon expect to be paying more taxes on a host of other items so as long as tax and spend Mayor David Miller gets his way.

Under Mayor Miller, Torontonians have been fed a steady diet of property tax increases with no appreciable sign that services have improved. Many departments complain that they have insufficient funds to maintain current levels of service.

Yet in 2006, Miller's Council was able to vote itself a hefty pay raise. In addition, in the 2007 budget, Mayor Miller has found millions to renovate his office and to hire additional staff. City Councillors have also retained for themselves a number of perks, including free passes to the zoo and to city owned golf courses.

With the city admittedly facing a financial crisis and people mentioning that Toronto might go bankrupt, it is unfathomable that Miller's council continues to refuse to tighten its own belt before reaching into the pockets of hard-working men and women, and the young and the old to balance the city's books.

The Toronto Party is outraged. To rescue our city from a pending financial calamity we must **STOP THE WASTE**.

PLEASE HELP US TO "STOP THE WASTE"

JOIN THE TORONTO PARTY.

The Toronto Party has Youth (14-25), Adult (26-65) and Senior (66 and over) annual memberships. Youth is \$2, Adult is \$10 and Senior is \$5.

To become a member, please mail your contact information, including phone number and e-mail address, and membership fee (cheques payable to The Toronto Party) to: **The Toronto Party, 1500 Islington Avenue, P.O. Box 60009, Toronto, Ontario, M9A 3L0** or e-mail us at torparty@yahoo.ca.