

International Development Week

February 4 – 10, 2024

WHEREAS throughout the first week of February, we highlight important Canadian contributions to eradicating poverty and to building a more peaceful, inclusive, and prosperous world. International Development Week (IDW) is a call to action for all Canadians to come together and reaffirm their commitment to universal and sustainable development.

Since 2020, the theme for IDW continues to be “Go For The Goals,” which is a callback to the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) outlined in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The 2030 Agenda is a 15-year global framework adopted by Canada, and other UN member states in 2015 outlining goals spanning the entire spectrum of the human experience to cover topics such as poverty, food inequity, gender and racial inclusivity, climate action, and wildlife preservation. With such a wide range of themes and subjects, every contribution no matter how small, makes a difference.

International Development Week provides an opportunity for communities around the world to learn more about the 2030 Agenda and its goals.

IDW is also a shared opportunity to inform, inspire and involve Canadians and partners of key local organizations to global issues, and to build increased solidarity and momentum, as global citizens.

The City of Toronto is committed to working with its residents, and all Canadians in our roles as active global citizens who must work together to create a better world, by 2030.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Olivia Chow, on behalf of Toronto City Council, do hereby proclaim **February 4 – 10, 2024** as "**International Development Week**" in the City of Toronto.



Olivia Chow
Mayor of Toronto