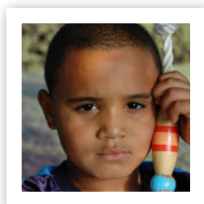
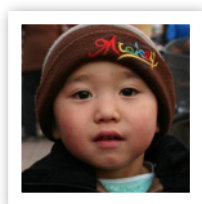
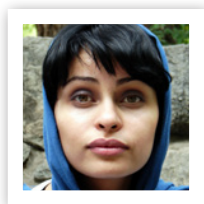


HUNGER SNAPSHOT

FACES OF HUNGER



2012 PROFILE OF HUNGER IN THE GTA




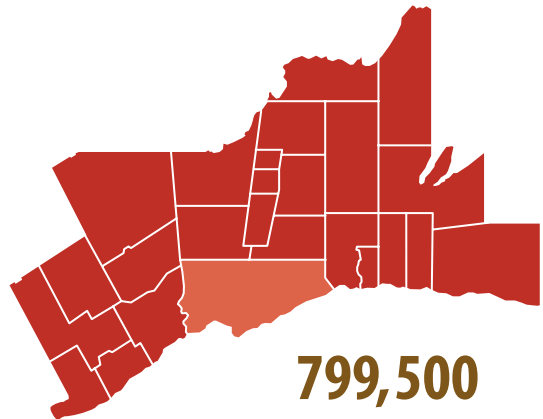
HUNGER BY THE NUMBERS

Number of visits to GTA food banks **1,123,500** OVERALL



That's more than the number of riders through Bloor-Yonge station in a typical work week.

18% INCREASE 
Since pre-recession period in 2008.



177,500 905

946,000 TORONTO

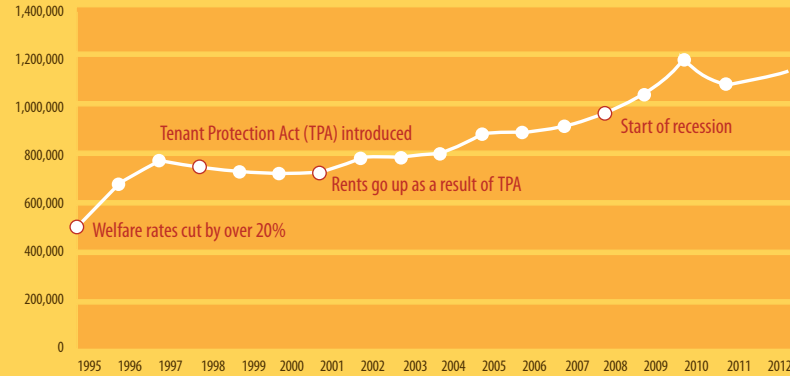
799,500 DBFB MEMBER AGENCIES

DEPTH OF HUNGER

"You need shelter to exist. Food is a luxury."

~ Survey Respondent

Total Food Bank visits, 1995 to present



39% Adults who have not eaten for a whole day because of lack of money.



32% Adults who have given up food in order to pay rent.



45% Adults who go hungry at least once per week because of lack of money.



32% Food bank clients who are children.



25% Children who go hungry at least once per week because of lack of money.

THE CHANGING FACE OF HUNGER

Overall, compared to five years ago, people visiting food banks are older, more likely to be born outside of Canada and have higher levels of education.



BORN OUTSIDE OF CANADA



GRADUATED UNIVERSITY



45 TO 64 YEARS OLD

	BORN OUTSIDE OF CANADA	GRADUATED UNIVERSITY	45 TO 64 YEARS OLD
2007	44%	25%	24%
2012	51%	28%	26%

DRIVING FORCES OF HUNGER

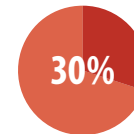
The driving force of demand for food banks is lack of income. The amount of money people are left with per day after rent has been paid is less than a TTC round trip.

\$691 MEDIAN MONTHLY INCOME

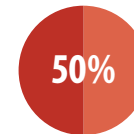
\$5.83

MONEY AVAILABLE PER PERSON PER DAY AFTER RENT IS PAID

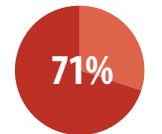
PERCENTAGE INCOME SPENT ON RENT/MORTGAGE INCLUDING UTILITIES



AVERAGE AFFORDABLE
Paying no more than 30% of household income on housing is considered affordable.



RISK OF HOMELESSNESS
Spending over 50% of household income puts one at severe risk of homelessness.



FOOD BANK CLIENT
The average food bank client pays 71% of their household income on housing.

SOLUTIONS TO HUNGER



Housing Matters.

Support Ontarians to pay rent AND put food on the table!

As our population and economy changes, our social safety net has to change with it. An Ontario housing benefit would be a huge step in starting the transformation of our social safety net to meet the needs of a changing population and economy. Such a benefit, provided to all low income households with or without children, would provide an added top up to social assistance or employment income, so they could afford both rent and food. It would also provide opportunity by reducing barriers from welfare to work and not “claw back”, or reduce employment income, for those making that transition.



Support the call for an Ontario housing benefit!

Learn more about the proposed Ontario housing benefit and other information on poverty and hunger by visiting www.dailybread.ca.

Show your support. Visit www.dailybread.ca and add your name to the call for an Ontario housing benefit.

Share this information with friends, family and neighbours. Tell your local MPP that poverty and hunger are issues that matter to you. Ask them to support an Ontario housing benefit as well.

WHO'S HUNGRY 2012 FACES OF HUNGER

EVERY YEAR, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF VOLUNTEERS, Daily Bread Food Bank conducts a survey across the GTA of people who access food banks. The surveys were completed with the cooperation of Daily Bread member agencies and regional partners: The Mississauga Food Bank, North York Harvest Food Bank, York Region Food Network and Feed the Need in Durham.

This snapshot here is just that – some statistical highlights from the 2012 survey to provide you with a brief picture of poverty and hunger in the GTA. For full results of the Annual Survey, please see the *Who's Hungry 2012: Faces of Hunger*, which is a much more in-depth look at not just who is hungry, but why and how we can continue to fight hunger in our communities.

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