

## **Action Alert: Tell Toronto City Council to ‘Turn on the Tap’ and Ban Bottled Water**

On November 12th, 2008 the City of Toronto’s Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommended a ban on the sale and provision of bottled water on city owned and operated property. The Committee also recommended that the City of Toronto increase access to tap water on city property.

**We need YOU to contact your city councillors and tell them to support public water by ditching bottled water.**

In the past year Canadians have made a commitment to public water services. Across the country municipalities, schools and universities, faith-based organizations, restaurants and unions have stood up for Canada’s public water services by restricting the provision and sale of bottled water. **Will Toronto City council also commit?**

In Toronto, municipal water systems are among the safest and strongest in the world. Meanwhile bottled water costs more, is less regulated, consumes more energy and releases more harmful toxics into the environment than tap water.

### **Take Action NOW:**

- Send an email to a select number of key City Councillors and tell them to vote in favour of restrictions on bottled water. Click [here](#) to send an email to key Councillors.
- Contact your City Councillor and encourage her/him to support restrictions on bottled water. Click [here](#) to access a list of city councillors and their contact information.
- Forward this Action Alert to your friends and colleagues and encourage them to take action.
- Attend the next Toronto City Council meeting and show your support for restrictions on bottled water: December 2nd.

**Not only does committing to tap water reduce costs and protect the environment, it demonstrates support for Canada’s public water services.**

For more information visit [www.insidethebottle.org](http://www.insidethebottle.org).

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