

Involving students in high poverty schools to ease and eradicate poverty: The Canadian example of *Campaign 2000*

Involving Marion County students you live in the circumstances of poverty to ease and end it makes sense. These young people live with the existential threat of poverty and other social toxins on a daily basis, and would, if given the chance, do their “school work” when state standards and academics were embedded in a curriculum with an anti-poverty ethos. Anti-poverty courses of study will engage students in easing and eradicating poverty--while simultaneously preparing them for career, college, and citizenship.

A win-win situation occurs when this enlightened view of what children can do to help solve the very problems which impede their education and neighborhood improvement is practiced.

***Campaign 2000* Ending Child Poverty in Canada**

Operating under the authority of Family Service Toronto and the Canadian Teachers' Federation, *Campaign 2000* (<http://campaign2000.ca/>) is a network of over 120 national, regional and local partner organizations actively working on child/family issues from diverse perspectives that work on the issue of child poverty such as children's aid societies, faith organizations, community agencies, health organizations, school boards, and especially low-income people's groups

Poverty Hurts: an e-book by the children at Greenfield Elementary in Nova Scotia.
http://media.wix.com/ugd/dd91da_4ae06060c6664525970403e0c180.pdf

Poverty in Canada PSA

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mPIhe15kcwI>

March 23, 2016 *Campaign 2000* Press Release: “Budget 2016: A historic step forward in Canada's battle against child poverty.” The notice <http://campaign2000.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Budget-2016-Media-Release-Campaign-2000.pdf> stated the organization's support and critique of the “Child Benefit” section of Canada's *Budget 2016* report. <http://www.budget.gc.ca/2016/home-accueil-en.html>

***Campaign 2000* Report Cards**

2013 Report Card on Child and Family Poverty in Canada: Canada's real economic action plans begins with poverty eradication. The Report Card points out:

- ending child poverty is the right thing to do for all Canadians
- child poverty itself is expensive
- Canadians know what needs to be done
- Canada has the fiscal capacity to act

<http://campaign2000.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/2013-Campaign-2000-English-National-Report-Card.pdf>

2014 Report Card on Child and Family Poverty in Canada: We can fix this

The 2014 Report Card highlights the compelling reasons why the federal government needs to take leadership and develop a national plan to end child and family poverty. It will present the latest statistics on child and family poverty and make recommendations for all political parties.
<https://assets.documentcloud.org/documents/1370276/national-c2000-report-card-november-2014.pdf>

2015 Report Card on Child and Family Poverty in Canada Let's Do This: Let's End Child Poverty for Good

This 2015 Report Card draws upon research, evidence and the voices of people in poverty in its 12 recommendations in order to maximize the child and family poverty reduction potential of the government's commitments

<http://campaign2000.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/2015-Campaign2000-Report-Card-Final-English.pdf>

Report Cards from 15 Canadian provinces

<http://campaign2000.ca/report-cards/provincial/>

Campaign 2000 Projects

Keep the Promise

Keep the Promise was a 2-year campaign, launched in 2013, to reignite the commitment of Canadians and their governments to end child poverty for good. While the campaign has concluded, the effort is ongoing and promising, thanks in large part to our two primary partners, the Canadian Teachers' Federation and Campaign 2000 – End Child and Family Poverty in Canada. Visit [Keep the Promise](#) for the archived website.

Youth Mobilizing to End Poverty Project

<https://prezi.com/g6omq3wzrets/youth-mobilizing-to-end-poverty-orientation/>

Family Service Toronto and *Campaign 2000* worked with youth volunteers (ages 13-24) to do Digital Storytelling and Design around poverty issues

Youth Mobilizing to End Poverty Videos

- End child poverty in Canada - We Keep The Promise
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vXWbzhb-dgI>
- Justice's Campaign Against Poverty
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r222Iq-5jfk&list=PLKg_b_G7jfO8hH_p_r5TW4DX_F6tC1RvP
- A post apocalyptic world called poverty
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8OcA5xGuGB8&index=2&list=PLKg_b_G7jfO8hH_p_r5TW4DX_F6tC1RvP
- Why Should You Care About Youth Unemployment?
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5YnA5FQkn3A&list=PLKg_b_G7jfO8hH_p_r5TW4DX_F6tC1RvP&index=5
- Justice's Campaign Against Poverty
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r222Iq-5jfk&list=PLKg_b_G7jfO8hH_p_r5TW4DX_F6tC1RvP
- A post apocalyptic world called poverty
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8OcA5xGuGB8&index=2&list=PLKg_b_G7jfO8hH_p_r5TW4DX_F6tC1RvP
- Why Should You Care About Youth Unemployment?
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5YnA5FQkn3A&list=PLKg_b_G7jfO8hH_p_r5TW4DX_F6tC1RvP&index=5

Summer 2013 Witnesses to Poverty Youth Volunteer Project

Youth volunteers earned community hours working on poverty-themed art projects.

<http://campaign2000.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/WitnessOfPoverty2013.pdf>