

# WORKING-AGE POVERTY IN CANADA

AN OVERLOOKED ISSUE WITH A VIABLE SOLUTION

OF THE **1.8 MILLION PEOPLE**  
LIVING IN **DEEP POVERTY** IN CANADA

**50%** are **working-age single adults** without children.

## WHY?



An **outdated** philosophy of "incentivizing" work, **not** dignity

A **changing** and **precarious** workforce

**Inadequate** provincial and territorial **income supports**

THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

**MUST GET INVOLVED.**

**HERE'S HOW.**

Introducing

**THE CANADA  
WORKING-AGE  
SUPPLEMENT (CWAS)**



CWAS creates an income floor for **all working-age single adults.**



It builds on the existing Canada Workers Benefit and is delivered through the tax system.



The supplement is available to single adults, whether employed or not, with a **maximum benefit of \$4,000 per year.**



It's layered on top of provincial and territorial supports, and is indexed to inflation.

## THE IMPACT?

Up to

**40%**

**more income** for people experiencing poverty

AND **DIGNITY AND EQUITY** FOR THOSE IN **GREATEST NEED.**

Learn why CWAS should be implemented **immediately.**

<https://bit.ly/CWASreport>

 **Maytree**  
Poverty • Rights • Change

 **community food centres**  
CANADA good food is just the beginning