

Mayors' conference focuses on reducing poverty in Canada's cities

April 4, 2016

Mayors from cities across Canada will be in Edmonton this week for a national conference that explores how communities are working to reduce or eliminate poverty in Canada.

Cities Reducing Poverty: When Mayors Lead brings together mayors such as Don Iveson (Edmonton), Brian Bowman (Winnipeg), and Naheed Nenshi (Calgary). They will discuss initiatives in their communities to reduce or eliminate poverty. The conference will also include municipal councillors, and representatives from the Government of Canada, the Government of Alberta, and organizations involved in poverty issues across Canada.

Date: Time:

Tuesday, April 5, 2016 8:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, 2016 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Thursday, April 7, 2016 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m

Location: Chateau Lacombe, 10111 Belamy Hill RoadN.W.

Conference sessions will be open to media. The agenda is available here.

Media can join one of the groups taking part in learning tours at The Skills Society Action Lab where tour participants will have the opportunity to test the tools the lab uses to support people with disabilities. Media can also join the tour group going to the iHuman Artistic Justice in the Heart of the City project. Tour participants will hear firsthand from youth involved in the theatre-based project.

Date: Wednesday, April 6, 2016

Time: 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Location: Skills Society, #210 10408 124 Street iHuman Youth, 9635 102A Avenue

Media are also invited to attend the conference reception where Mayor Don Iveson will speak.

Date: Wednesday, April 6, 2016 **Time:** 5:30 p.m. -7 p.m.

Location: City Room, City Hall, 1 Sir Winston Churchill Square

More information about the Mayor's Task Force to Eliminate Poverty in Edmonton, known as EndPovertyEdmonton, is available at $\underline{\underline{endpovertyedmonton.ca}}$.

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