

# SCARBOROUGH TRANSIT **ACTION**

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**TTCriders / Scarborough Transit Action: Transit Fairness Night** hosted  
by **East Scarborough Storefront**  
**Tuesday, September 13th 2016, 5:30 - 7:30pm**  
The Point 4117 Lawrence Ave E Suite 100A

Scarborough Transit Action, TTCriders, and the East Scarborough Storefront will be holding a transit information and action meeting. The purpose is to update local residents and encourage feedback and involvement on TTC budget plans, new rapid transit lines and the Low Income Pass proposal.

"The TTC already has a multi-million dollar gap in its ability to run services at existing levels and now the Mayor is calling for an across-the-board cut of almost \$200 million. We may be facing fare hikes and service cuts," said Brenda Thompson of Scarborough Transit Action.

The Low Income Pass, would make it more affordable for low income Torontonians to use transit, in response to the growing costs of fares "Calgary, Hamilton, and Kingston all provide a low income pass for transit riders in financial need. Toronto is lagging behind other cities across the country", says Scarborough resident Vincent Puhakka.

Also of concern is the lack of funding to build the \$1.7B Eglinton East LRT; extending from Kennedy station through East Scarborough, to U of T's Scarborough campus. "Scarborough transit riders can no longer be expected to pay higher fares for less TTC service. We need rapid transit to East Scarborough now, not ten years from now", says Shaun Cleaver, TTCriders member.

Light dinner provided.