

**NO PROMISES**

**EMPTY PROMISES**

**BROKEN PROMISES**

**NO VOTES x**

**NO MORE PROMISES**

Bring your broken promises and tell them:

**NO MORE PROMISES  
ACTION VOTES**

**ALL CANDIDATES MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY • MARCH 24 • 7:00 PM**

**PICKET STARTING AT 6:30 PM**

at 519 Church Street Bring a whistle, a sign and your thoughts

**ALL THREE PARTIES** have formed a government

**ALL THREE PARTIES** have a record

**ALL THREE PARTIES** could introduce a bill

**ALL THREE PARTIES = INACTION**



**10 YEARS OF INACTION**

**NO MORE PROMISES  
ACTION**

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ACTION VOTES**

**↑ OUR HEALTH CARE AND  
HUMAN RIGHTS CAN'T WAIT**

# OUR COMMUNITIES DEMAND **ACTION**

“ Right now many people living with AIDS are being forced into poverty because health insurance doesn't cover the expensive medication they need to live. This is wrong, and none of our politicians are doing enough to make it right. It is long past the time for action.

Anthony Mohamed,  
Executive Director of the Alliance  
of South Asian AIDS Prevention

“ People living with AIDS and HIV do not benefit from political promises, but are directly affected by government inaction.

Dr. Philip Berger,  
physician specializing in HIV care

“ The inaccessibility of drugs and their high cost has forced most people living with AIDS onto welfare, and has denied many people crucial health care options.

Michael Shapcott,  
downtown poverty activist

“ The number one problem facing people living with HIV and AIDS is the incredibly high cost of drugs. The Province's failure to publicly fund HIV treatments means that people have to make their treatment decisions not in terms of what is best for their health but in terms of what they can afford.

Linda Gardner,  
steering committee of AIDS Action Now!

Dear friends:

People with AIDS are dying because we can't afford treatment.

There are a growing range of treatments which enable people to survive the opportunistic diseases that previously killed so many. But these treatments are expensive – sometimes over \$1000 per month.

The current AIDS program covers only a few of the many drugs necessary to keep people healthy. Without private health care coverage, people with AIDS and HIV are forced to go on welfare to afford drugs. Either way, we are not covered for new treatments or experimental drugs. Often, we are forced to choose between adequate nutrition and housing or adequate treatment.

In January 1992, Minister of Health Frances Lankin promised to quickly develop a comprehensive drug policy for AIDS. Several other provinces already have such policies.

More than a year later the policy has not been implemented. We are still dying from lack of treatment. There can be no excuse for further inaction. This province must fund all HIV treatments now. People's health should not depend on their ability to pay.

We will not vote for a government that leaves us to die.

Tim McCaskell,  
AIDS Action Now!



# WE NEED A CATASTROPHIC DRUG PLAN NOW!