

The ability to make ends meet in York Region is a challenge impacting low and moderate income families and individuals at different points in their lives.

The problems are real but that's not what defines us. What defines us is our ability to respond to the problems.

**How can you make  
a difference?**

# 1. This tool kit provides everything you need to:

- Raise awareness about Making Ends Meet in York Region
- Build momentum in your own organization to support the community results of affordable housing and economic self-sufficiency
- Find ways for your organization to support families and individuals living on low and moderate income

## 2. This kit contains:

- Making Ends Meet in York Region Organization Endorsement Card
- Human Services Planning Board of York Region Membership List
- Making Ends Meet in York Region Discussion Paper and Discussion Guidelines Workbook
- Making Ends Meet in York Region Presentation “Background and Context” with Speaking Notes
- Making Ends Meet in York Region Presentation “Talk to Action” with Speaking Notes
- Turn the Curve Discussion – Summary Report Worksheet
- Member Organization Reporting Template
- Making Ends Meet in York Region At a Glance



# 3. What you need to do:

- i. Seek **endorsement** of the Making Ends Meet in York Region initiative and 2011 Work Plan from your governing body
- ii. Show **organizational commitment** by completing the Making Ends Meet Endorsement Card
- iii. Host **“Turn the Curve” discussions** within your organization

Use the Making Ends Meet discussion paper workbook to answer these three questions:

- A) What are we currently doing to contribute to the community result/indicator areas?
  - B) What can we do better to contribute to the community result/indicator areas?
  - C) What is preventing us from contributing to the community results/indicator areas?
- iv. **Complete** the Making Ends Meet in York Region Organization **Reporting Template** by October 6, 2011. The reporting template provides a way to summarize your discussions to report back to the full Human Services Planning Board in October 2011.

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