

# Disability Without Poverty - #BetterTheBenefit

## The Challenge

- 1 in 4 Canadians (27%) live with disabilities.
- 1.6 million working-age Canadians with disabilities live in poverty.
- 41% of people who live in poverty are disabled.
- No provincial or territorial disability support currently lifts disabled people above the poverty line.

## The Canada Disability Benefit (CDB): What's Wrong?

**The CDB was supposed to change lives, but major flaws remain:**

- \$200/month is far below what's needed to lift people out of poverty.
- Restrictive eligibility tied to the Disability Tax Credit (DTC), a complex, expensive and difficult process.
- Separate application form required – adding unnecessary barriers.

## Our 3 Key Asks

**We demand a stronger, fairer CDB that actually works. The government must:**

### 1. Increase the amount

- \$200/month is not enough. The benefit must lift people out of poverty.

### 2. Cut Red Tape

- Automatically enrol those already eligible for disability supports.
- Simplify the process. No separate applications.

### 3. Build Accessibility

- Develop automatic, coordinated, and user-friendly systems.

**\$200/month for so few won't end disability poverty. It's time for real action.**