Sample Letter

[MLA Name]

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Victoria, BC V8V 1X4

[Date]

Dear [MLA Name]

I am a member of your constituency and a supporter of the Abbotsford Food Bank. As such, I call on you and the Government of British Columbia to launch a comprehensive and accountable poverty reduction plan aimed at reducing homelessness and poverty in our community.

I am shocked at the levels of poverty and homelessness in a society as wealthy as ours, and believe that we can drastically do something about it if only we join hands and work together for a common goal.

Such an approach needs to boost the incomes of those living in poverty and also build the social infrastructure, public services and assets that are vital to providing a path out of poverty and improving quality of life.

In particular, it must include a broad range of concrete actions in relation to: raising the incomes of the non-employed and the working poor; addressing the needs of those most likely to be living in poverty; addressing homelessness and the lack of affordable housing; providing universal publicly-funded child care; providing support for training and education; and promoting the health of British Columbians.

If we commit to such a bold plan, a dramatic reduction in poverty and homelessness within a few short years is perfectly achievable.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

[Your name]

[Contact Information]