

How to finance a basic income?

Here are some concrete proposals elaborated by several economists:

- Review income tax structure
- Adjust contributions to social benefits
- Fight against tax evasion
- Optimize the taxation of multinationals
- Re-evaluate tax on the wealthy
- Review money creation strategies

In addition, many employment subsidies and other tax niches would become obsolete.

For more information

There are many publications on Basic Income. Consult our website for some interesting books, texts and videos to learn more about the subject.

Who is Basic Income Montreal?

Basic Income Montreal is a group created from a citizen's initiative to promote a Basic Income.

It aims to gather individuals and organizations involved in the promotion of a Basic Income in the Montreal region, with the aim of making the concept better known to all Montrealers and Quebecers.

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What is Basic Income?

It is an inalienable right and unconditional right that can be combined with other income.

It is distributed by a political community (municipal, provincial and federal) and can be received by all of its members, from birth to death, on an individual basis, without means testing. Its amount and financing are democratically adjusted to and by each community.

Universal

All members of the community can receive it, regardless of their income or professional employment status.

Unconditional

Basic Income is paid regardless of one's current work situation. It does not require a job search or means testing.

Individual

Basic Income is paid to each member of the household, regardless of the income of the other members.

Lifelong

Basic Income recipients include children, young and older people. For children, it is likely to be a smaller amount and could be paid to legal guardians until they come of age or until they reach the age of majority.

Inalienable

Basic Income is a fundamental right for all citizens. Its beneficiaries cannot be deprived of it.

Cumulative

It can be added to any other form of income, salaries or allowances.

Basic Income for all!

**A must read
to learn more
about Basic Income**

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Why give everyone an unconditional income?

Adapt to the gradual disappearance of many jobs

Today, technology makes it possible to replace a massive number of jobs with robots, softwares or hardware. Basic Income allows the whole population to benefit from this technological progress.

Choosing your work

With a Basic Income paid every month, workers will have a genuine lever of negotiation. It will be easier for them to choose their job or to do paid work or not, and to invest their time in activities that bring value to their community and better correspond to their aspirations.

Develop wealth diversity

Creating your own business, taking care of your community, getting involved and developing cultural and humanitarian projects are all assets that will be encouraged.

Emancipate oneself and the communities

It will allow each individual to question their true motivations and ways to contribute to society, and to reflect on what is really meaningful to themselves and their community.

Eradicating extreme poverty

Because it is granted to all individuals without means testing throughout their lives, Basic Income is a more stable and secure foundation than the current incomplete social benefits.

Improving the social system

Because of its complexity, the current social protection system does not respond well to the needs of the population. Basic Income for all individuals and without conditions eliminates unnecessary administrative procedures.

Questions?

Will people continue to work?

The various pilot programs that have taken place have shown that a large majority of beneficiaries were using a basic income to get rid of debts, to get educated for better and more relevant work, and to take care of those close to them or others in the community. Ultimately, they used it to enable them to live a productive life, because of the autonomy, confidence and trust placed in them. Over-consumption will thus become less valued than social recognition, which brings a more lasting reward to all individuals.

The definition of work and non-work will be re-evaluated in light of what it produces for its community rather than for the speculative financial sector (local and global).

Why give it to the rich?

Basic income is, like universal suffrage or public education, a **universal and fundamental right**.

To limit the payment of a basic income to those who fit certain conditions would create two classes of people, the deserving and the undeserving, and bring us back to the current system.

The rich will be the main financial contributors to basic income, through reforms of compulsory deductions.

Is there a risk that prices will rise?

There would not be too much inflation because basic income would not require an increase in the money supply. Tax income will increase from the highest classes and decrease for the middle and lower classes.

Productive capacities will increase quantitatively and qualitatively because of the autonomy, confidence and trust that will be given to the workers, thus reducing production costs.

The whole world is talking about it!

Basic income is currently in place notably in Alaska, in the North Carolina East Band Cherokee community and in Iran.

Experiments are taking and have taken place in Ontario, Manitoba, the United States, Brazil, India, Namibia, Finland and the Netherlands. In Switzerland, Iceland and Scotland, it has been the subject of a referendum. The media all over the world are currently talking about it.

Join the debate

Our position is one of openness because it is important to come together to define our needs and make the basic income concept to be heard by as many people as possible.

Join us!

Basic Income Montreal (BIMTL) aims to bring Basic Income to the attention of all Montrealers and Quebecers by bringing together citizens and organizations involved in promoting Basic Income.

Our position is one of openness because we know that many individuals and groups have been working on the subject for a long time and that many have developed relatively precise models of Basic Income. However, we believe that it is important to come together in order to be heard by as many people as possible. For this reason, we are not advocating for a particular Basic Income model, but rather for all groups and citizens to come together on common issues and speak with one voice.

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