

# Push for change team trying to end youth homelessness

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**Canada (WAGM)** - Joe Roberts has personally experienced the power of possibility. At the age of nineteen he was homeless. Roberts transformed his difficult life to become a successful businessman. He is now sharing his story with the world.

Roberts is pushing a shopping cart 9,000 kilometers over 517 days to raise awareness and funds to end youth homelessness. The shopping cart is a symbol of Joe's transformation from youth homelessness. It represents the very outcome Robert's organization is trying to avoid for future generations. He hopes that this walk will help build a framework that eventually supports every child in Canada to safely transition into adulthood.



Roberts started his long journey on May 1, 2016. He is on the road every morning around 6am to walk 24 kilometers. It will take 517 days to him to complete his route. The story will come full circle when Roberts ends his walk on September 30, 2017 in the very city he was once homeless in, Vancouver, British Columbia.

Along the route The Push for Change team has planned over 400 events in schools and communities.

They hope to use these events to inspire, engage and raise awareness and funds.

If you want to follow Roberts' trail you can visit their website at [www.thepushforchange.com](http://www.thepushforchange.com) or find them on facebook, Instagram and twitter.