

A shopping cart full of dreams

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Joe Robertson pushes a shopping cart across Canada to raise funds to end youth homelessness. (Push for Change Foundation)

Joe Roberts has been pushing a shopping cart for nearly 517 days now as he literally pushes for change.

This month's long journey that began May 1st 2016 in Saint Johns, Newfoundland will next week be wrapping up here in Vancouver.

Roberts has been on this journey for a very special reason- he has been raising funds and awareness for youth homelessness- a cause which is very close to his heart.

Roberts himself was a homeless youth in Vancouver during the 1970s and it was then that he decided if he ever got out of his situation he would help others like him.

When he was finally given the chance he needed, he stuck to his self promise and started the [Push for Change Foundation](#).

"Here in Canada 35 thousand young people slip to the crack, find them selves in compromised environments and they have the same possibilities and potential that I do, that's why we're doing the work that we do." – Joe Roberts, founder, Push for Change Foundation

Day 508 / KM 8934. Today Joe walked through Delta and ended in Richmond  Have you seen Joe on your morning commute? pic.twitter.com/MivCozq72u

During his walk, Roberts has also stopped around the country and given talks at schools and community events engaging youth and teaching everyone.

Now he is only kilometers away from his goal and on Friday September 29th in Vancouver will be finishing not only a 17 -months- long walk but a life long promise.

If you wish to show your support Roberts encourages you to join him on the street or to meet them at the Vancouver Public Library.

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