



# A public service to vote for: ELECTION 2015

Bulletin #6 .....

## On October 19<sup>th</sup>, Vote to Target tax cheats, not charities

**D**emocracies are built on tax fairness - everybody should pay their fair share. But the integrity of Canada's tax system is under attack as budget cuts limit the Canada Revenue Agency's (CRA) ability to properly investigate and reclaim lost revenue from offshore tax cheats. Instead, **Canadian charities** that do not share the current government's political views are being audited.

The government says there's no money to fund public programs and services...but over the past few years, it has disbanded many of the CRA's international and aggressive tax planning teams and reassigned their specialists. This at a time when, according to Statistics Canada, over **\$170 billion** are currently hidden away in the top 12 global tax havens and many countries around the world are expanding their capacity to fight tax evasion.

For **every tax dollar** spent on CRA salaries to investigate international tax evasion, **46 dollars** are returned in tax revenue – wouldn't it make sense to recover these billions of dollars?

Would there be enough money to restore funding for public programs and services then?

The answer is obvious: target offshore tax cheats and recover the billions owed to Canadians. And no more hidden agendas masquerading as government policy.

**Remember - it's critical for you to vote if you believe in public services.** Union members can make a big difference individually and collectively when they go to the polls. On October 19th, you can help decide Canada's future.

### Make sure you vote!

