

Early Learning and Care Steering Committee Report

Annual Report 2020

Recommendation

That the June 30, 2021, Urban Planning and Economy report UPE00685, be received for information.

Previous Council/Committee Action

At the June 7, 2021, City Council meeting, the following motion was passed:

That Administration work with the Early Learning and Care Steering Committee to bring forward a report at the June 30, 2021, Community and Public Services Committee to be dealt with at the same time as the EndPovertyEdmonton - Annual Report 2020.

Executive Summary

The Edmonton Council on Early Learning and Care (ECELC) is presenting their 2020 Annual Report.

Report

EndPovertyEdmonton (EPE) was established in 2017 and identified affordable and quality child care as a “game-changer” alongside supplementary road map actions for eliminating poverty in Edmonton. On October 31, 2018, the Community and Public Services Committee received an information report that outlined steps to form a Terms of Reference for the Edmonton Council on Early Learning and Care (ECELC).

The ECELC annual report, Early Learning and Care in Edmonton: Progress in Building an Integrated System (Attachment 1) outlines the ECELC’s achievements, activities and outcomes for 2020.

The ECELC continues to work closely with Administration to align future efforts and outcomes.

ECELC received \$100,000 per year tax levy funding in Fall 2016 through the City of Edmonton service packages, to support and respond to EndPovertyEdmonton five

year road map actions. This \$500,000 received from 2017-2021 was funded by tax levy and will conclude at the end of 2021.

Corporate Outcomes and Performance Management

Corporate Outcome(s): Edmonton is a safe city and Edmontians are connected to the city in which they live, work and play.			
Outcome(s)	Measure(s)	Result(s)	Target(s)
EndPovertyEdmonton is established as a community-led entity grounded in a collective impact approach and responsible for stewarding the road map	Number of intersectoral collaborations taking action on the road map	<u>2021:</u> 15	Continue and enhance existing collaborations
Edmonton Economic Action Plan Action 17: Promote affordable, accessible, high-quality, and inclusive early learning and child care.	Number of women participating in the workforce	<u>May 2021</u> 59.2 % - percentage of women currently employed in Edmonton Census Metropolitan Area	<u>2022</u> TBD
	Number of licensed full-day early learning and care spaces	<u>March 2021</u> 3.7 licensed full-day early learning and care spaces for every 10 children aged 0-4 in Edmonton	<u>2022</u> Increase licensed full-day early learning and care spaces for every 10 children aged 0-4 in Edmonton
	Cost of child care (cost per child)	<u>March 2021</u> Median monthly child care fees in Edmonton, \$1,050 for infants, \$950 for toddlers, and \$925 for preschool-aged children.	<u>2022</u> TBD Increase affordability, inclusivity, accessibility and quality to early learning and child care

Attachment

1. Early Learning and Care in Edmonton - 2020 Annual Report

Others Reviewing this Report

- C. Owen, Deputy City Manager, Communications and Engagement
- Rob Smyth, Deputy City Manager, Citizen Services
- M. Persson, Chief Financial Officer and Deputy City Manager, Financial and Corporate Services
- K. Fallis-Howell, Acting City Solicitor