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Community Safety and Well-being Strategy - 2025 / 2026 Funding

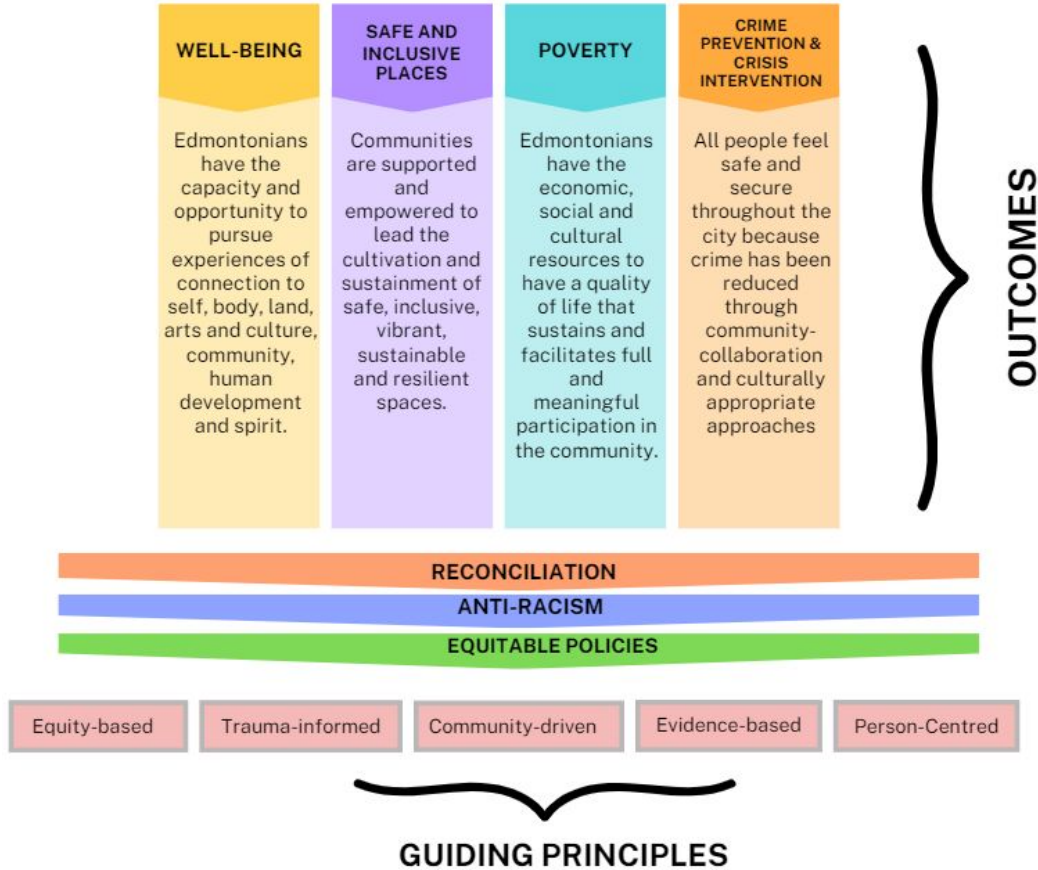
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“Each person making Edmonton home feels a sense of purpose, safety, and stability.”

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CSWB Pillars & Guiding Principles



CSWB Funding Overview

Funding Year	Total CSWB Funding Available for Allocation in Thousands (Includes Carryforward)	Allocated CSWB Funding in Thousands (As of August 2024)	Unallocated CSWB Funding in Thousands
2022	\$23,217	\$23,217	0
2023	\$31,283	\$31,283	0
2024	\$39,161	\$39,120	\$41
2025	\$20,843	\$17,354	\$3,489*
2026	\$20,343	\$16,861	\$3,482*
Total	\$134,847	\$127,835	\$7,012

Recommended Priorities

<u>Rec 1</u> Violence Prevention Action Plan	\$750,000 (multi-year ending in 2026)
<u>Rec 2</u> 2SLGBTQIA+ Safer Spaces Action Plan	\$750,000 (multi-year ending in 2026)
<u>Rec 3</u> CSWB Grant Top-Up	\$500,000 (multi-year ending in 2026)
<u>Rec 4</u> Truth and Reconciliation Sponsorship Fund	\$300,000 (multi-year ending in 2026)

Violence Prevention Action Plan

- \$750,000 (multi-year ending in 2026)
- Due to CPSC Q1 2025
- Ensures actions can be implemented and additional sources of funding can be leveraged through the investment strategy
- Funding will support initiatives that address the root causes of violence and promote resilience and wellbeing
- According to the 2023 Service Satisfaction Survey, community safety satisfaction has declined from 45% in 2022 to 35% in 2023, and only 51% of respondents feel that Edmonton is a safe city, down from 62% in 2022.

2SLGBTQIA+ Safer Spaces Action Plan

- \$750,000 (multi-year ending in 2026).
- Funding will address safety challenges facing the 2SLGBTQIA+ community.
- According to the 2SLGBTQIA+ Action Plan survey, 39 per cent of 2SLGBTQIA+ respondents reported experiencing violence due to homophobia, transphobia, biphobia or other forms of discrimination in the last five years.



CSWB Grant

- \$500,000 (multi-year ending in 2026).
- \$20 million in funding requests were received for the 2023/2024 grant intake, resulting in a large number of unfunded projects that fit within the goals of the CSWB Strategy.
- CSWB grant funding will sharply decrease from \$5 million in 2023/2024 to \$500,000 in 2025/2026.



2022 Grant Successes

ANTI-RACISM

Participants reported opportunities to connect and learn about other cultures

CRIME PREVENTION & CRISIS INTERVENTION

As a result of a new intake procedure, youth are staying in shelter longer, allowing for opportunity to build relationships. Since implementation, there has been a marked reduction in critical incidents

EQUITABLE POLICIES, PROCEDURES, STANDARDS & GUIDELINES

The project successfully met its goal of addressing intersectionality within the disability community and empowering participants to express their voices through art

PATHWAYS IN & OUT OF POVERTY

The Nurture Meals program has successfully empowered marginalized women through comprehensive training and support. With a 65% completion rate for skills training, the program demonstrates effectiveness.

RECONCILIATION

Workshop participants reported increased understanding of Indigenous cultural practices & the importance of treating customs and practices with respect and dignity.

SAFE & INCLUSIVE SPACES

Young men from various backgrounds have converged to share experiences, gain life changing awareness as well as find their inner courage to participate in collective engagements with their peers.

WELL BEING

The project has made significant progress in achieving its goals, fostering community connections, promoting cultural awareness, and providing valuable support to newcomers and students.

Truth and Reconciliation Sponsorship Fund

- \$300,000 (multi-year ending 2026).
- The City has received a significant increase in community requests for sponsorships that advance the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action.
- Relative to the need, the current sponsorship envelope (\$500,000) is limited.
- To date, the program has denied \$200,000 in funding requests this year, and any further requests will be denied or only partially funded.

Funding Urgency

- Avoid amplifying future costs.
- Address growing needs and challenges related to violence and safety.
- Enable economic development and long-term prosperity.



Thank you.

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