

## Importance of Access to Quality Early Learning and Care

#### **Socio-economic Benefits**

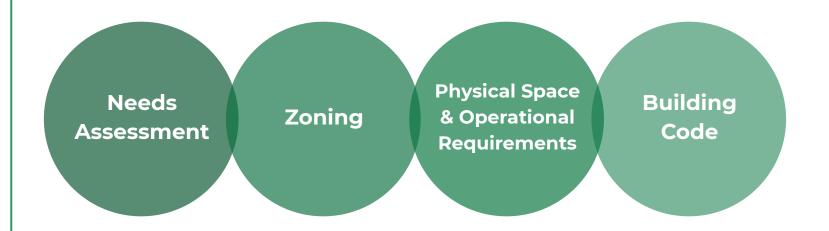
### **Strategic Initiatives**

- Improved child outcomes (especially for disadvantaged youth)
- + Improved female labour participation rates
- + Improved labour-market outcomes

- Poverty elimination advances the ConnectEdmonton strategic goal of "Healthy City"
- Improved child care
  access is an EndPoverty
  Edmonton "Game
  Changer"



# City of Edmonton Owned Buildings: Early Learning & Child Care Physical Environment Guidelines





### **Stakeholder Feedback**

"I was particularly impressed to see that child care will be considered in the planning stages of the construction process. This should result in purpose built sites that will accommodate the needs of early childhood programs"

- Acting Manager, Licensing - Child Care Services, Government of Alberta

"It is important to make sure that they are not a deterrent to implementing the policy as there is a need for more quality and affordable childcare spaces"

- Women's Advocacy Voice of Edmonton



Potential City of Edmonton Owned Spaces

### Sites identified:

- + Purpose-built Community & Recreation Facilities
- + Edmonton Research Park
- + Chancery Hall, Century Place & City Hall

