

Impact

13,986 participants accessed programs

- 92% of participants demonstrated age/developmentally appropriate skills in the following areas: personal/social skills, gross motor skills, fine motor skills, appropriate problem solving skills and coping skills.
- 79% of school age participants demonstrated school readiness skills (e.g., age appropriate literacy and numeracy).

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Looking Back, Moving Forward: A Review of 2015-2016



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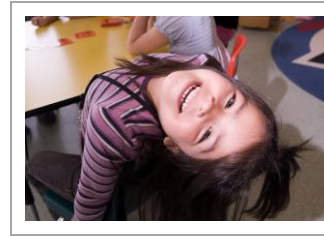
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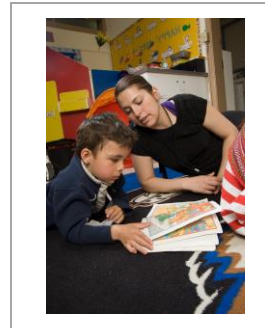
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Inclusive Education Advisory Committee



Working with community stakeholders to advise Alberta Education so that:
Every school and community understands, values and supports an inclusive education for each child and student.

Alberta Early Learning and Care Leaders Caucus



Participating with passionate leaders from across the province to achieve the following vision:

Our collective knowledge, leadership and expertise leads the development of effective early learning and care policies and practices in the province of Alberta.

Community University Partnership for the Study of Children, Youth and Families (CUP)



As a member of the Steering Committee, we support the work of CUP to nurture an environment where evidence contributes to effective practices and policies.

Building Capacity

Children's experiences early in life have a profound and lasting impact on their future. One way to significantly decrease gaps in achievement later in life is to provide enriching learning experiences to children well before they enter school. Early learning and Development: Common Understandings, OECD Network

Alberta Early Years Learning Series

As part of the ongoing involvement with the Alberta Early Years planning committee, we supported the introduction of a learning series. This is a new and innovative way to disseminate the latest research in early childhood education within the context of brain development. Sessions included:

- Brain Development and the Benefits of Risky Play - Dr. Ian Pike
- Brain Development and the Significance of Trauma – Katie Statman-Weil
- Brain Development and the Impact of Technology - Dr. Kelly Dean Schwartz

National Child Day – It's Our Right to Learn

National Child Day is a day to remember that children need support and encouragement to grow to their full potential. The focus of the Provincial and Regional committees in 2015 was the United National Convention on the Rights of the Child Articles #23, 28, 29, 42. Activities and resources were provided to highlight "It's Our Right to Learn."

nationalchildday.ca

Key Activities

Investing In Futures



United Way works with agency partners in our community to provide young children with opportunities to develop and grow.

Building Capacity



These efforts focus on looking for collaborative solutions, increasing the capacity of the sector or increasing awareness of issues related to poverty and early childhood development.

Influencing Public Policy



Solutions to complex problems require multiple strategies. Influencing public policy utilizes relationships and opportunities for long-term change.

Investing In Futures

The Early Years Matter

Communities have an important role to support young children’s development and create a strong foundation for future learning. We know that when children start kindergarten experiencing great difficulty in their development, they often struggle to catch up to their peers, and may have challenges throughout their schooling.

Total Investments to Support Early Learning and Development: \$1,626,908

Early Childhood Desired Results

The work of Success By 6® fits within United Way’s **commitment to Education**. From the early years to high school completion, United Way contributes to a comprehensive and well-connected range of supports that help children and youth achieve their potential. Over the past year, focus on impact in the early years has been dedicated to: investing in community-based supports for families with young children, building capacity, and working to positively influence public policy.

We strive to:

- Increase access to quality, early childhood development opportunities for children aged 0 – 3; and
- Increase the number of children entering school with age-appropriate early-literacy skills.

Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers	Multicultural Family Connections Preschool Learn to Skate and Swim	\$108,000 \$9,863
Bissell Centre	Child & Family Resources	\$356,780
Kara Family Resource Centre	KARA Parent/Child Experiential Learning Program	\$111,444
Norwood Child & Family Resource Centre	Early Childhood Development & Parent Coaching	\$125,949
St. Albert Family Resource Centre	Family Life Education	\$75,188
Terra Centre for Teen Parents	Services for Young Dads	\$115,981
Centre for Family Literacy	Literacy C.O.W. Bus	\$68,000
	Rhymes that Bind	\$99,200
Connect Society, Deafness Education Advocacy & Family Services	Child & Family Services	\$201,503
TELUS World of Science Edmonton	Discoveryland Subsidy Support Program	\$5,000
Community University Partnership for the Study of Children Youth and Families	Public Policy	\$100,000

United Way Internally Managed The Kid Kit Project \$250,000

The Kid Kit® is a resource and tool to support adult capacity to facilitate child development and responsive interactions. This year, 8,500 kits were distributed throughout Alberta!