



Early Years and Child Care

Giving children and families access to inclusive, affordable, accessible, accountable and high quality programs and services



Core Service

Early Years and Child Care Services build and support a system that is responsive to current and future needs of children and families in Peel

Licensed Child Care: we support child care providers to deliver inclusive, affordable, accountable, high quality and accessible child care.

EarlyON Program: we oversee free programs that help families with children 6 years and younger to grow and learn together.

Child Care Subsidy: we provide money and support so that families with lower incomes can afford licensed child care.

Special Needs Resourcing: we support children with special needs to thrive in licensed child care.



Interesting facts about this service

95%

Licensed child
care sites
participate in
CWELCC

12.2%

Increase in
EYCC program
budget

11,980

New child care
spaces
expansion
target

1,749

Qualified staff
needed to
support child
care expansion

Achievements



Improving Affordability

Continued implementation of CWELCC, provides families with an average annual savings of \$15,660*

*Based on a family with a toddler and preschooler



Improving Accessibility

Secure online portal for child care subsidy applications



Improving Inclusiveness

Took important steps to improve diversity, equity and inclusion in child care and EarlyON programs



Improving Quality

Enhanced workforce strategy to attract and retain qualified staff

Service delivery model

How do we do it

We manage the early years and child care system so families have programs and services that are inclusive, affordable, accountable, high quality and accessible.

Early Years and Child Care

Plan, fund, expand and oversee
Licensed Child Care

Provide Child Care Subsidy
for lower income families

Administer funding to reduce
child care fees for all families

Partner with Child Care Providers
to ensure quality child care
services

Plan, fund and oversee Special
Needs Resourcing services for
children in licensed child care

Plan, fund and oversee
EarlyON Family and Child
Centres

Service levels and trends

48,759

of licensed
child care spaces
we support

3,153

Children
assisted with
special needs
supports in
licensed child
care

9,783

Subsidies
provided so lower
income families
can access
licensed child care

326,000

Family visits to
EarlyON
programs

Business plan outlook

Planning for the future

- Continued implementation of the Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care plan to reduce the cost of child care to \$10-a day (average across Ontario) by 2025
- Prioritize the expansion of 11,980 child care spaces to underserved communities, to be realized by 2026
- Expand the Workforce Strategy to address staff shortages and meet the demand for child care in Peel.
- Prioritize Diversity, Equity and Inclusion focus to ensure that programs, policies and practices reflect the diverse needs of the communities we serve.

Performance measures and results

2,948

Additional child care spaces to be realized by the end of 2023

18,482

Early Childhood Professional attendees to Capacity Building events

100%

EarlyON and child care programs participate in continuous quality enhancement initiatives

Cost containment

Finding efficiencies

Efficiencies in the 2024 Budget	Cost Savings \$ Million	Cost Avoidance \$ Million
Savings due to department realignment	\$0.01	-
TOTAL	\$0.01	-

Proposed operating budget

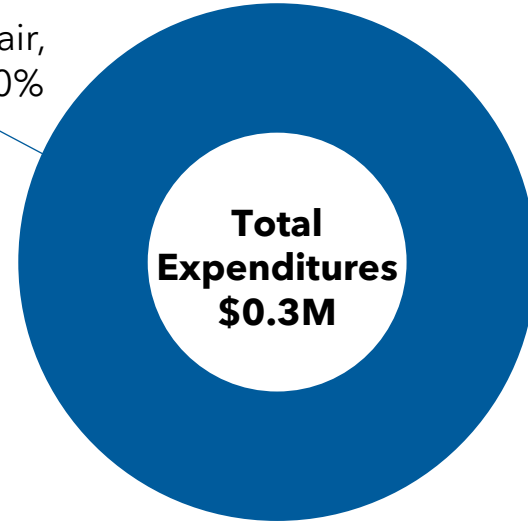
2023 Net Base Budget (In \$Millions)	\$21.2
Cost to maintain 2023 service level	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inflation: labour costs/goods and services Cost containment 	0.6 (0.1)
Sub-total: Cost to maintain 2023 service level	\$0.6
2024 Service demand	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care program (CWELCC) Increase CWELCC Funding 	60.6 (60.6)
2024 Proposed Net Budget Change from 2023	\$0.6
Proposed Total 2024 Net Budget	\$21.8

2024 Capital Budget \$0.3 million

Key highlights

- \$0.3 million for Child Care facilities capital projects (Brampton West, Chinguacousy, Collegeseide, Ernest Majury and Streetsville)

State of
Good Repair,
\$0.3M, 100%

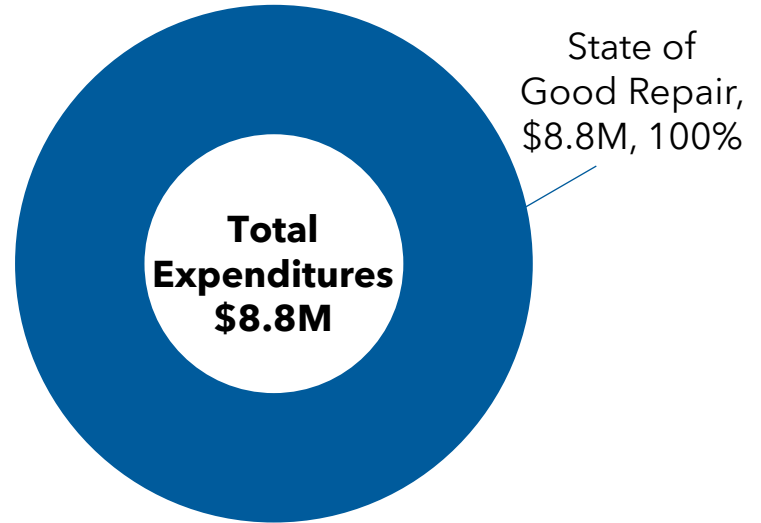


Capital Reserves
\$0.3M; 100%

2024 10-Year Capital Plan \$8.8 million

Key highlights

- \$8.8 million for Child Care facilities state of good repair capital projects



Capital Reserves
\$8.8M; 100%

Summary of Key Financial Information

	Resources to Achieve Level of Service	
	2023	2024
Total Expenditures (\$M)	\$423.9	\$473.5
Total Revenues (\$M)	\$402.7	\$451.7
Net Expenditures (\$M)	\$21.2	\$21.8
Full-time Staffing Resources	125.2	125.1
Capital Investment (\$M)		\$0.3
10-Year Capital Investment (\$M)		\$8.8

Outlook Years	2025	2026	2027
Net Increase (\$M)	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5
% Increase	2.5%	2.4%	2.4%