

Expanding Child Care Spaces to Meet Demand



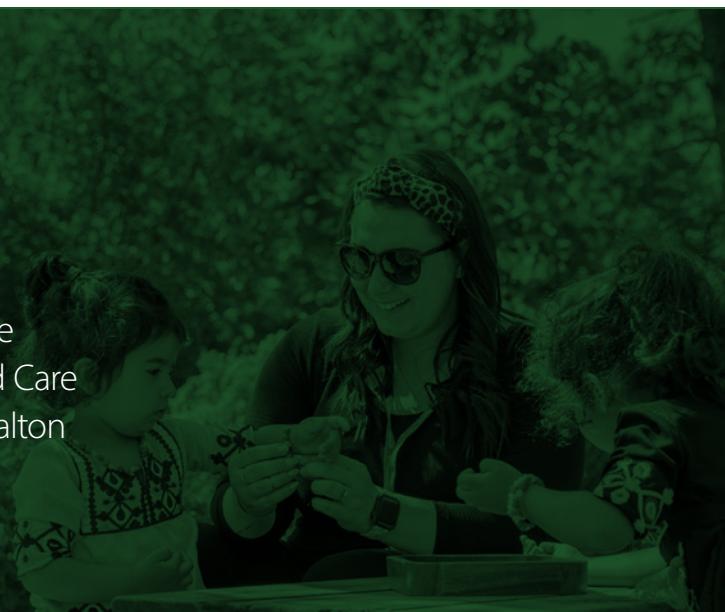
We have significant and growing demand for high quality and affordable child care spaces in Halton

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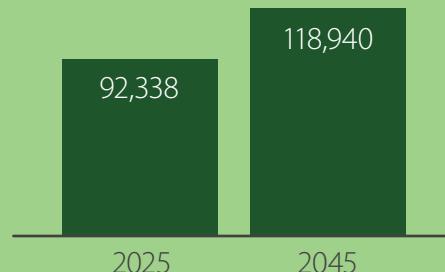
operators can quickly deliver over

4,200

additional Canada Wide Early Learning and Child Care (CWELCC) spaces for Halton families if the province allocates more spaces.



Expected population of 0-12 year olds in Halton



Source: Ministry of Finance, Population Projections 2023-2051

Demand for child care spaces will continue as our community grows.

We have quickly enrolled **86% of providers** into the CWELCC program, reducing child care fees to no more than \$22 a day.



Increased administrative funding is critical to support the additional service system manager responsibilities related to CWELCC.

The Provincial Government can support us in delivering high quality and affordable child care by:

- 1** Immediately providing increased funding and at least 4,200 additional CWELCC spaces
- 2** Revising the methodology used to allocate CWELCC spaces to more accurately reflect current and future community need
- 3** Restoring local flexibility to the Local Priorities Fund
- 4** Extending the deadline for the completion of new capital projects beyond December 31, 2026
- 5** Providing increased administrative funding