

# TWO PROGRAMS, MORE SPACES

## UNDERSTANDING THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE CHILDCARE BC NEW SPACES FUND AND THE UBCM COMMUNITY CHILD CARE SPACE CREATION PROGRAM



### CHILDCARE BC NEW SPACES FUND

- » Available to public sector organizations, Indigenous Governments, non-profit societies, and businesses or incorporated companies.
- » Local governments are eligible to receive a maximum of \$3 million to cover up to 100% of project costs.
- » New spaces can be built on public or private property.
- » Applicants may receive funding for single-site project proposals, with a multi-site project stream launching in fall 2019.
- » Open application intake through 2019/20, subject to funding availability.
- » Funds the creation of spaces serving infants, toddlers, preschool-age children, and school-age children licensed as:
  - Group child care (under 36 months, 30 months to school age, and school age);
  - Preschool (30 months to school age);
  - Multi-age child care;
  - In-home multi-age child care; and
  - Family child care.
- » Funded and administered by the B.C. Government's Ministry of Children and Family Development.

### UBCM COMMUNITY CHILD CARE SPACE CREATION PROGRAM

- » Available to local governments (municipalities and regional districts).
- » Local governments are eligible to receive a maximum of \$1 million to cover up to 100% of project costs.
- » New spaces can only be built on local government property or facilities with a long-term lease by the local government.
- » Applicants may receive funding for projects creating new spaces at multiple sites.
- » Deadline for applications is November 22, 2019.
- » Funds the creation of spaces serving infants, toddlers, and preschool-age children licensed as:
  - Group child care (under 36 months and 30 months to school age); and
  - Preschool (30 months to school age).
- » Applicants may use funding to purchase land if also creating new child care spaces.
- » Funded by the Canada-B.C. Early Learning and Child Care Agreement and administered by the Union of BC Municipalities.

### FOR BOTH PROGRAMS

- » Operator of the child care program may be a local government or a contracted third party child care operator.
- » Funding is prioritized for projects that:
  - Create licensed group child care (under 36 months) spaces;
  - Benefit underserved populations (e.g. low income, Indigenous families, young parents, children with extra support needs, minority language and cultural groups, newly landed immigrants and/or refugees);
  - Create spaces offered outside of core business hours; and
  - Create spaces operated by a public or non-profit provider.
- » Learn more at:  
[www.gov.bc.ca/childcare/communityspaces](http://www.gov.bc.ca/childcare/communityspaces) or [www.gov.bc.ca/childcare/newspacesfund](http://www.gov.bc.ca/childcare/newspacesfund)

# COMMUNITY CHILD CARE SPACE CREATION PROGRAM

NEW OPTIONS FOR MAXIMIZING CHILD CARE SPACE CREATION IN COMMUNITIES



## INTRODUCTION

Launched in September 2018, the Community Child Care Space Creation Program provides up to \$1 million to help local governments create new licensed child care spaces in their community. Funding is focused on creating spaces for children aged five or under.

Local governments can also apply to UBCM for up to \$25,000 from the Community Child Care Planning Program to create a child care action plan for their community.

## WHAT'S NEW

### ABILITY TO COMBINE FUNDING PROGRAMS

- » Local governments can now combine UBCM Space Creation Program funding with the Childcare BC New Spaces Fund to access up to \$4 million per project.
- » For example, a local government could apply for UBCM Space Creation Program funding to create Infant/Toddler spaces, 3-5 spaces, or both, and use the New Spaces Fund to create a different type of licensed child care for the same project.
- » Note: funding can not be combined to create the same type of spaces.

### ABILITY TO PURCHASE LAND

- » UBCM Space Creation funding can now be used to purchase land, including buildings.
- » Projects which use funding to purchase land must also commit to creating new child care spaces as part of this same funding.
- » For example, a local government could not solely purchase land with Space Creation funding, and then only create spaces with the New Spaces Fund.
- » Note: the New Spaces Fund may not be used to purchase land or buildings – but can be used to renovate structures or build new structures on property already owned by the funding recipient.

## APPLY NOW

Applications are being accepted for the Child Care Space Creation Program until November 22, 2019 and the Child Care Planning Grant program until January 31, 2020.

Visit:

[www.ubcm.ca/EN/main/funding/lgps/child-care.html](http://www.ubcm.ca/EN/main/funding/lgps/child-care.html)

or call UBCM's Local Government Program Services at (250) 952-9177 for more information.