We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Cowichan Tribes, and that their historic connections to these lands continue to this day.
1. Childcare BC Vision

Childcare BC Plan: the path to universal child care

- **Vision**: Affordable, quality child care that is available to every family that wants or needs it

  - A 10-year plan
  - Budget 2018 allocated $1 billion over three years
  - Federal government contributed $153 M over three years
  - Three pillars:
    - Affordability
    - Accessibility
    - Quality
AFFORDABILITY
$630 MILLION OVER THREE YEARS

QUALITY
$136 MILLION OVER THREE YEARS
ACCESSIBILITY
$237 MILLION OVER THREE YEARS

UBCM
Community Child Care Space Creation Program

• $13M in funding in 2018/19
• Create approximately 1,370 licensed child care spaces
• Only local governments are eligible to apply
• For children ages 0-5 years with priority on infant toddler spaces
• Up to $1M available per application to create new spaces on local government property
• Application deadline January 18, 2019
UBCM Community Child Care Planning Program

- For local governments to create child care space creation action plans
- Up to $25,000 available per local government
- Collaboration between local governments is encouraged
- Funding requests from multiple local governments can be submitted as a single application
- Application deadline January 18, 2019
Childcare BC New Spaces Fund

• Unprecedented 100% provincial funding program now available
• Up to $1 million per facility for public-sector applicants
• Application process for the Childcare BC New Spaces Fund is open continuously - no arbitrary deadline

Blueberry Creek Community School - $109,647

• Created 12 Infant Toddler spaces being shared by 16 families
• Located next to the StrongStart BC, 3-5 year old day care, and preschool, out-of-school care and youth programs in a shared former elementary school
• Created 3 full-time employment positions to add to 18 others the centre employs
• Letter of support from the Mayor of Castlegar for grant application
• City of Castlegar leases former Fire Hall to the Society for $1 for out-of-school care, funds the youth program, and assisted with $10K grant for final phase of roof replacement
Port Alberni Friendship Centre - $491,595

- Design-build of ūiḥmisuk ṭaatn̓aʔis – Treasure Our Young Ones Childcare Centre
- 50 child care spaces created for ages 0-12
- 8 full time employment positions and 2 Elders teach Nuu Chah Nulth language
- City of Port Alberni donated and rezoned 2 vacant lots next to the Friendship Centre

Leading Local Governments

District of Oak Bay

- 25 full time child care spaces for 3-5 year olds
- 16 preschool spaces for ages 3-4 years
- 178 out-of-school care spaces for two nearby elementary schools
- 4 full time and 85 auxiliary staff
Leading Local Governments

**District of Tofino**
- 18 full time child care spaces for 3-5 year olds
- 6 out-of-school care spaces
- Serving 37 working parent families in Tofino
- 3 full time Early Childhood Educator employment positions, and one part time position

**Cowichan Valley Regional District**
- Shawnigan Lake Community Centre operating 23 years
- 78 out of school care spaces,
- 16 preschool spaces – 2 full classes serving 32 families
- 3-5 daycare - 8 spaces
- Gymnasium and CVRD parks green space and pavilion
- Two 24 passenger buses
- Only licensed care in area
- Waitlists for September 2019
Questions?

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