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MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

Important Notice to All Elected Officials and/or Chief Administrative Officers

Expression of Interest – Child Care Space Expansion

Sent on behalf of the Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning.

Today, [the Manitoba government launched an Expression of Interest](#) for an innovative capital program, which will expedite the development of licensed, non-profit early learning and child care centres.

The Ready-to-Move child care capital initiative is open to Manitoba municipalities and Manitoba First Nations, Métis and Inuit communities and organizations. To participate, the community or organization must provide:

- A minimum of two (2) acres of service land
- 15 years free rent to child care provider selected to operate the centre
- Land and building support services, maintenance and repairs.

This initiative expands capital grant funding eligibility, through a new collaborative approach with Indigenous and municipal partners. The Ready-to-Move construction technology allows for the development of high-quality facilities built under controlled conditions, before they are moved to the final site and placed on a permanent foundation.

Priority will be given for up to eight new child care centres in rural and Indigenous communities, with demonstrated child care need. The construction costs will be fully funded through the [Canada-Manitoba Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care Agreement](#).

Further information and the application form for the Ready-to-Move child care capital initiative can be found at www.gov.mb.ca/education/childcare/resources/rtm.html. The deadline for applications to the Expression of Interest is December 19, 2022.

If you have any questions, please contact the Capital and Space Development Branch, Early Learning and Child Care Division at CCGF@gov.mb.ca.