

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MISSISSIPPI MILLS

QUARTERLY UPDATE

DATE: May 9/2023
TO: Committee of the Whole
FROM: Anita Legault
SUBJECT: Childcare Q2 update

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- Childcare has been in the process of gathering summer registration forms for kindergarten and School age children. All three locations will offer full day programming as we have secured summer students to assist with longer days and vacation requests.
- March: Completed the mini provincial survey for each location for data collection purposes.
- April: Completed the provincial annual data collection which included operational information such as opening and closing hours, child enrolment, parent fees, fee subsidies and staff wages, as of December 31, 2022.
- May: Gave feedback on the CWELCC **2024** childcare funding formula discussion paper. This formula will replace all existing childcare grants, current GO funding and the wage enhancement grant. The aim is to ensure the financial viability of the Childcare System in Ontario.
- We are investigating how other Childcare Centres invoice their families, their internal structure and process. We have zoomed with Himama administration to see if this model is the right fit for our childcare centre. Carleton Place Childcare shared their model (Smart) including pros and cons of their program .
- Meeting with Accounts receivable, Treasurer, CAO and Head teachers planned to discuss next steps.

2023 PROJECT UPDATES:

- Flooring quotes have been submitted to the County for pre-approval for partial funding under Health and Safety funding.

- Roofers have been selected by our facilities manager and will be repairing roof later this month.

KPIs:

- Our wait list continues to increase. We have over 400 names on our list to date.
- With request for care increasing in our Before and After programs in the fall, we are in process of interviewing RECE for two of our locations.

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Consultation with other communities with similar demographics to see what services they offer, any plans for expansion etc.
- Consult with focus groups for childcare discussions.

Respectfully submitted by,

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