Family & Community Support Services (FCS)

Supporting Individuals, Families and Communities in Edmonton

Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) is a unique 80/20 funding partnership between the Government of Alberta and participating municipalities or Métis Settlements. The programs build on the strengths and capacities of individuals, families and communities, and are volunteer supported.

So why does this matter?

FUNDING NONPROFIT PROGRAMS

Edmonton FCSS funds 70+ social service nonprofit agencies in Edmonton.

\$20+ Million

dollars from this programs goes into the community every year to support Edmontonians.

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

Edmonton FCSS supports collective action in our community.

All in for Youth

Community Mental Health Action Plan Communities United

Financial Empowerment

THE NONPROFIT SECTOR

Edmonton FCSS provides funding that supports over 100 programs that utilize

> 600+ Staff 11,000+ Volunteers and teach

Over 500 students

every year!

STRENGTHENING EDMONTONIANS

Programs funded by Edmonton FCSS support

200,000

Edmontonians each and every year to enhance their social well-being.

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In the words of Edmonton FCSS Funded Programs... What is the impact of this funding in the community?

SUSTAINABLE FUNDING

"These grants help ensure the stability of our organization and ensure we can offer programming on an ongoing basis. They also guarantee we will be able to serve 100% of the people requesting programming and service because we can keep fees and cost at an accessible level. Having this kind of stability also allow us to be a good partner to other organizations."

LIFTING PEOPLE OUT OF POVERTY

"This funding has enabled our organization to effectively meet the needs of the individuals and families we serve as they move out of poverty and toward a stable future. We can offer high quality free respite child care, free referrals and support for parents, and support to find housing."

RESPONSIVE TO COMMUNITY NEED

"With this money we were able to run two programs that have met the emerging needs of the families we work with in different ways. The funding is flexible enough to allow us to be responsive and adaptive to different trends and the individuals we see in front of us."

OVERCOMING CHALLENGES

"FCSS is our major funder, and we would have had to close our doors this year had it not been for the help of FCSS. 2017 was a difficult year to receive grants and fundraise, so this funding was essential to our ability to operate. We have had an increase in demand for our services and a decrease in clients ability to pay for services."

PREVENTION IS INCLUSIVE

"Without this funding, we would be limited in who we could serve. We work with immigrant and refugee communities and we appreciate that FCSS participant eligibility is inclusive and broad -- so we are able to serve citizens, refugee claimants, and people with across different immigration status."

STRONG SOCIAL SERVICE SECTOR

"FCSS is one of the most flexible funders we work with and they really understand the local context. They also are great at bringing organizations together through the sector meetings and learning events. They play a valuable role being a catalyst for collaboration, creating spaces where we can talk about reducing duplication, and discussing how we can work more effectively with families and communities."

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