

Adopt a Councilor Initiative

The Child Care Advisory Committee's Work Plan includes an *Adopt a Councillor* initiative. This will be the third campaign prepared and implemented by this committee. The intent of the campaign is to provide current and ongoing information on child care and early years programs to all London councillors.

A sub-committee will assemble a binder which will contain general information related to licensed child care and the early years, along with statistics and information specific the ward they are representing. Some of the information provided will be made available by the city of London, such as, child care fee subsidy stats, # of children served, # of families on the subsidy waitlist, funding, etc.

The Licensed Child Care Network (LCCN) supports this campaign by working in collaboration with the CCAC to invite Councillors to tour programs in their ward. During the visit Councillors will have an opportunity to meet families, educators, and service providers. Service providers will supply councillors with the prepared binder, answer any questions and continue to act as their contact person for any information related to licensed child care and the early years sector.

The sub-committee meetings have been put on pause until the child care services department is able to compile the pertinent information from the Child Care & Early Years Service System Plan. This information will be an important addition to the Adopt a Councillor binder.