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Presentation to Community
Development and
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Child Outcomes

- Physical Health + Development
- Mental Health + Social Development
- Learning + Education
- Rights + Opportunities
- Nurture + Care

Family Outcomes

- Family Health
- Resilience + Support
- Lifelong Learning
- Financial Security
- Community + Culture
What is Raising the Village?

Data
28 indicators on child well-being

Tools
Child & Family Inequities Score, Interactive map

Website
Knowledge mobilization
Child & Family Inequities Score

Level of Inequities
- Very High
- High
- Low
- Very Low
Purpose

- Planning & delivering services
- Collaborating across sectors & silos
- Prioritizing areas for action
- Evidence-based decision making
Poverty in Toronto by age group:
- Children: 27%
- Adults: 24%
- Seniors: 11%

Child poverty across Canada:
- Toronto highest at 27%
- Montreal: 26%
- Vancouver: 19%

Importance of Evidence
Data Gaps

- Prenatal / Birth
- Early Years
- Middle Childhood
- Adolescence
• In student achievement, Toronto's children are doing better than the Ontario average in writing and math.

• While the rate of participation in the 18-month well baby visit is much lower than we would like to see, it has been increasing steadily from 38% in 2010, to 52% in 2013.

• just over 1 in 4 Grade 3 students said they read with a parent or caregiver regularly.

• Almost half of Grade 7 & 8 students said they rarely or never talk to their parents about relationships or problems.
Highlights

• The % of children not participating in arts and sports ranges from 3% in Kingsway South to 54% in Glenfield-Jane Heights.

• Boys are more likely than girls to be vulnerable in key areas of development before entering school.

• Black children are 2.4 times more likely to feel unsafe at school and 3.6 times more likely to feel unsafe in their neighbourhood than white children.

• Schools with more children living in low income neighbourhoods had higher rates of tooth decay.
Next Steps

• Interactive map
• Update data as available (2016 Census)
• Community knowledge mobilization
• Fill data gaps
• Collaborative planning (Toronto Child & Family Network)
We want the best outcomes for all children and families in Toronto. Raising the Village is an initiative to provide communities with data and research that measures the well-being of children and families. This initiative provides evidence for informed decision making.