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Re: Toronto Youth Equity Strategy Funding

Dear Chair & Committee Members,

We are writing to request the Economic & Community Development Committee ask the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance & Administration to prepare a Briefing Note to Budget Committee on the implementation status of the Toronto Youth Equity Strategy, and the funding required to fully deliver the program for vulnerable youth.

Youth Equity Strategy Status

Source: Toronto Star

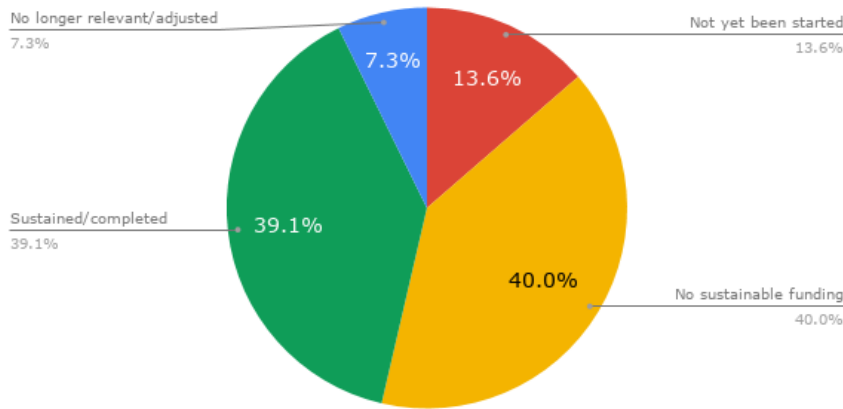


Fig. 1

The pie chart above depicts the most recent, publically available status update for the Youth Equity Strategy. Created with information obtained in a Toronto Star article, Fig.1 shows that more than half of the 110 recommended actions to support our city's most vulnerable youth have either not been started or do not have sustainable funding.

If correct, this chart indicates that Council broke the promise it made to at-risk youth in 2014 when the Youth Equity Strategy was initially approved. Please support the accompanying request to learn more about how we can better support Toronto's most vulnerable young people.

Thank you for your consideration.

Recommendations:

That:

1. Economic & Community Development Committee request the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance & Administration to prepare a Briefing Note to Budget Committee on the implementation status of the Toronto Youth Equity Strategy's 110 recommended actions, and the funding required to fully deliver the program, including:

- a) Which actions are fully funded, implemented, and sustained?
- b) Which recommendations are not fully funded, implemented, and sustained?
- c) What is the budget impact of fully funding, implementing, and sustaining all recommendations in the Youth Equity Strategy?

Sincerely,

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