

# **FIFA World Cup 2026 Toronto: Updates on the Community Benefits Plan, Social Procurement and Workforce Development, and Liberty Village and Fort York Neighbourhood Plan**

**Date:** April 14, 2026

**To:** FIFA World Cup 2026 Subcommittee

**From:** Executive Director, FIFA World Cup 2026 Toronto Secretariat

**Wards:** All

## **SUMMARY**

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The Executive Director, FIFA World Cup 2026 Toronto Secretariat (FWC26 Toronto Secretariat) will be submitting a supplementary report to the FIFA World Cup 2026 Subcommittee before its meeting on April 28, 2026 that provides updates on the Community Benefits Plan, Social Procurement and Workforce Development, Liberty Village and Fort York Neighbourhood Plan.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The Executive Director, FWC26 Toronto Secretariat recommends that:

1. FIFA World Cup 2026 Subcommittee receive this report for information.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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Further information on financial impacts will be outlined in the forthcoming supplementary report.

The Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial information as presented in the Financial Impact section.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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On March 25, 2026, City Council adopted EX29.10, "FIFA World Cup 2026 Toronto: Procurement Plan Update", updating the procurement plan to procure the goods and services required for the delivery of the FIFA World Cup 2026 Toronto.  
<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2026.EX29.10>

On March 10, 2026, Executive Committee adopted EX29.9, "Updates on the Community Benefits Plan, Social Procurement and Workforce Development, Liberty Village and Fort York Neighbourhood Plan, Legacy Initiatives, Community Grants, and FIFA World Cup 2026 Budget and Revenue Status".  
<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2026.EX29.9>

At its meeting on September 15, 2025, the FIFA World Cup 2026 Subcommittee considered Item FWC6.1 which served to provide updates on the Community Benefits Plan, Social Procurement and Workforce Development, Liberty Village and Fort York Neighbourhood Plan, Community Activation Plan, FIFA Fan Festival and Volunteer Program.  
<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2025.FWC6.1>

On July 23, 2025, City Council adopted MM32.26, "CityServeTO - A Youth-based Community Service Initiatives", which authorized funding to community agencies for the Youth Community Service Initiative.  
<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2025.MM32.36>

On June 17, 2025, Executive Committee adopted EX24.12, "FIFA World Cup 2026 Toronto: Community Benefits Plan Update, Social Procurement and Workforce Development Status, Community Activation Plan, Marketing and Communications Overview, Support for Concurrent Special Events, Principles of Bidding on International Events, and Purchase Order Amendment".  
<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2025.FWC5.1>

On February 26, 2025, Economic and Community Development Committee adopted EC18.6, "Investing In Youth, Empowering Our City's Potential: Creation of a Toronto Youth Employment Program", which requested staff to consider opportunities to achieve a target of up to 10,000 additional summer jobs for young people by 2026.  
<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2025.EC18.6>

On December 17, 2024, City Council adopted EC17.2, "A Partnered Approach to Inclusive Economic Development", which requested divisions to apply the principles of Inclusive Economic Development in relevant plans, strategies and programs.  
<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2024.EC17.2>

On November 4, 2024, City Council adopted EX18.17, "FIFA World Cup 2026 Toronto: Revenue Opportunities to Support Hosting Obligations, Procurement Plan Revisions, and Social Procurement and Community Workforce Development Updates", which reflected changes to the procurement plan and goals for social procurement.  
<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2024.EX18.17>

On July 24, 2024, City Council adopted EX16.21, "Governance, Community Benefits Plan, Legacy and Program Advisory Framework, FIFA Fan Festival", which provided a

general overview of planning, granted authority to enter in agreements with third party groups to receive funds, and accelerate RapidTO transit priorities, all associated with supporting the FIFA World Cup 2026 in Toronto.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2024.EX16.21>

On March 20, 2024, City Council adopted EX12.2, "Update on Hosting FIFA World Cup 2026", which authorized staff to negotiate and enter into contribution agreements with the Governments of Canada and Ontario in support of FWC26 as well as agreements with the Greater Toronto Airport Authority and Ports Toronto (Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport) reflecting Host City Agreement obligations in support of Toronto's hosting of the FWC26. Through this report City Council also directed report backs on a number of items including revenue plans, children and youth soccer facilities and programs, community benefits, human rights plans and climate strategy.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2024.EX12.2>

## **COMMENTS**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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