Early Learning & Education

6.1 Increase the number of licensed childcare spaces

The City of London - Children’s Services provided an additional 534 licensed childcare spaces (for ages 0 - 4 years) in 2017.

Between December 2018 and September 2019 an additional 357 licensed childcare spaces were provided.

An additional 176 spaces will be provided – 88 spaces in 2020 and 88 spaces in 2021.

Fanshawe College has doubled their intake numbers for their Early Childhood Education program to increase the number of qualified ECE’s available to meet the needs in our community. They have also adjusted their intake to three times per year and provide courses online and on weekends.

In October 2019, an extensive ECE recruitment and retention plan was launched by the Licensed Child Care Network (LCCN) in partnership with the City of London, Middlesex County, and the province of Ontario. [https://unsungheroesece.com/](https://unsungheroesece.com/)