

# January 2024 to June 2025 Highlights and Accomplishments

#### **About**

Delta Child and Youth Committee (CYC) is a community collaboration table in Delta, BC. It has been active since the early 1980's. The table is well attended by representatives from the municipality, school district, ministries, health authorities, and local non-profits.

#### Goals

The CYC has five goals:

- 1. To network and share information about programs, services and issues related to child development, at the community level.
- 2. To learn about the gaps, strengths and opportunities to identify priorities.
- 3. To respond together to community needs.
- 4. To improve community awareness and mobilization related to the importance of healthy child development.
- 5. To support diversity, equity and inclusion in services, programs and initiatives.

#### Structure

The Delta CYC is primarily funded by The Delta School District, Ministry for Children and Family Development, The City of Delta and REACH Child and Youth Development Society, as well as CYC member agencies.

The Steering Committee is the leadership body that consists of the action team chairs, and senior level agency representatatives. This is the governance and oversight body, which determines annual CYC priorities.

The Collaborative Committee consists of frontline service providers and public partners. This is the networking, information-sharing and professional development body.

The three action teams (Child Care, Early Years and Youth) action the identified annual priorities in a workplan, and regularly report back to both the Collaborative and the Steering Committee.

### Membership (see Appendix 1)

#### **CYC Collaborative Committee**

- 1. Launched dynamic new website (<a href="https://deltakids.ca">https://deltakids.ca</a>) to promote programs and services (birth to 18 years old), with a Delta-wide event calendar, <a href="https://cycleatured.projects">CYC featured projects</a> and <a href="https://cycleatured.projects">Photo Gallery</a>, that reached 2.8K users, which reflect significant interest and engagement.
- 2. Hosted a <u>research day</u> with community stakeholders to share information and generate action. Produced a 2024 CYC Research Report) and a presentation.
- 3. Provided five focused workshops for members to better understand and integrate Diversity, Equity and Inclusion issues and considerations into our shared and individual agency work.
- Continued networking and information sharing across agencies to grow shared understanding, coordinate programs and services, and spark collaboration. Held five meetings, with five Diversity, Equity and Inclusion presentations.

#### **Youth Action Team**

- 1. Facilitated a community-led process of creating a model for the fist <u>Youth Hub in Delta</u> to promote social connections and youth well-being.
- 2. Created a Youth Advisory Group to inform and guide the development of the Youth Hub(s).
- 3. Planned and participated in the 2024 Delta Youth Week activities.

#### **Child Care Action Team**

- 1. Promoted the <u>Child Care Assessment and Inventory</u>. Promotion occurred through various channels such as: Options CCRR and the action team's email distribution list and websites.
- 2. <u>Presented</u> to Delta City Council on current child care landscape, and the role the city can play in utilizing the New Spaces Fund to create child care spaces.
- 3. Planning a <u>Child Care Forum</u>, for May 2025, to bring together a broad stakeholder group to focus on increasing childcare spaces.
- 4. Creating a Parent Advisory committee to guide the Child Care Forum planning.

#### **Early Years Action Team**

- 1. Created a Brochure for families with newborns.
- 2. Distributed 1,000 copies of the Newborn Brochure, with books, in book bags throughout Delta, in collaboration with Delta Community Literacy. The book bags were promoted in many different ways: on the CYC website, via email to food banks, Midwives, Surrey Delta Division of Family Practice and North Delta Division of Family Practice, all CYC members (who in turn posted this notification on their websites and in their social media), and through all Delta Parks & Recreation sites and Delta libraries.
- 3. Hosted 2 community-outreach events for families with children birth to 12 years old, in North and South Delta. For each event, there was over 200 families with children who attended; 500+ free books given out and Delta CYC service providers in attendance.
- 4. Planning to host a Spring community-outreach event for families with children birth to 12 years old, in Ladner. The event will include food, entertainment and all CYC service providers providing information and activities for children.

### **Governance and Accountability**

- 1. Finalized and updated the <u>Strategic Plan (2024-2029)</u>, and <u>Terms of Reference</u> based on current trends and data analysis to improve governance and provide accountability.
- 2. Used stakeholder input from the research day to inform annual priorities and workplans.

- 3. Presented the <u>first annual Google Analytics Report.</u> with the goals of being more responsive and developing more targeted program and services approach for service providers.
- 4. Started development of an annual review of the CYC Facilitator, with ongoing reports to the Steering Committee, to enhance efficiency, accountability and support.
- 5. Wrote a grant to the Delta Community Foundation for \$5,000.00 to support 2025 CYC action team activities.
- 6. Created a CYC Action Team Feature Page on the website to feature CYC activities.
- 7. Write an annual outcome report, in March.

## Appendix 1 – Delta CYC Membership

Pays & Cirls Club South Coast PC
Boys & Girls Club South Coast BC
City of Delta (Social Planning and Parks, Recreation and Culture)
City of Delta Police Department
Dan's Legacy
Delta Community Literacy Task Force
Delta School District
Deltassist
DIVERSEcity
Family Smart
Family Support Institute of BC
Fraser Health Authority
Fraser Valley Regional Library
Métis Nation BC
Ministry of Children and Family Development
MOSAIC
Options Child Care Resource and Referral
Options Community Services
Pacific Community Resources Society (PCRS)
Pacific Postpartum Support Society
Progressive Cultural Community Services Society (PICS)
REACH Child and Youth Development Society