

CAPC increases the number of effective community resources and programs, having a significant economic impact

Community Action Program for Children (CAPC)

CAPC: Waterloo, ON

Catholic Family Counselling Centre (CFCC) is a good example of how a CAPC program has had a significant economic impact on its local community. In the past 3 years, CFCC has raised \$1 million additional dollars for programs and activities related to CAPC.

The economic benefit is immediate and obvious -- CFCC is able to hire 20 additional staff per year.

But the economic benefit for the local community doesn't stop with additional staffing. A program called "Families and Schools Together," done in partnership with the local school board, brings whole families into 12 different schools each year to network and access other services. Another outreach program (funding leveraged by CAPC from the Region) assists families living in poverty, helping them access services and necessities.

The economic benefit from those activities is that over 5,000 additional families each year are provided with supports, networking, and services. Parents (particularly new immigrants) who have been unemployed and isolated, are upgrading their education and finding employment.

CAPC has also had an economic impact on an Old Colony Mennonite community by helping them create crafts that they can sell to the public, thereby increasing their income and self-sufficiency.

These initiatives, which support CAPC, are funded through United Way, Regional Government, and family foundations.



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The annual CAPC budget is \$59.5 million (\$52.9 million of which goes directly to communities).



Across Canada, CAPC programs have 2,221 CAPC funded staff with 46,643 paid staff hours per week. An additional 881 individuals were paid using CAPC funds.

Over \$21.7 million in additional funding received.

*All from: National Program Profile:
National Highlights Report 2005-2006,
Global Business Services, IBM*