

# CAPC increases partnerships and collaboration, leveraging funding, staffing, space, resources and services

## Community Action Program for Children (CAPC)

### CAPC, Peterborough, ON

Two participants of the CAPC Peterborough program (Brighter Futures) approached the team leader a few years back to see if there was a school for young moms in the city. There was not. So these young women took it upon themselves, with some help, to do a proposal. They took it to the local school board and health unit. That was the beginning of the Young Mom's School.

Getting the school going was not without its hiccups and challenges—for one thing it has moved 3 times. But today the school board provides a teacher and academic supports; CAPC provides a coordinator and child care staffing; the health unit provides nursing support, Healthy Babies Healthy Children workers and infant/toddler development workers. Additional supports are brought in – perinatal health team, midwives, counsellors etc.

CAPC has also been able to leverage an additional \$80,000 per year through United Way, and through fundraising for the Young Mom's School. They estimate the in-kind supports are equivalent to \$180,000!

Today, the Young Mom's School has grown and continues to thrive. Forty-five students were in the school over the past year. The partnerships and leveraging have come together to bring to life the vision of the two young women who were participants in the CAPC program.



**Estimated value of in-kind donations (space, materials etc.) received [by CAPC] was over \$6.7 million.**

**In Ontario there were 1,192 [CAPC] partners, averaging 30.6 partners per project. 6,604 partners were recorded nationally in 2005/06, averaging 16.8 partners per project.**

**9,684 people donated 68,690 hours of time to CAPC in a typical month. Estimating value at \$15/ hour, that is a donation of over one million dollars per month, or \$12 million per year.**



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