



1971 - 2021



terra centre

INSPIRING LIVES
CREATING COMMUNITY

2021 Community Report

Mission

Empowering teen parents to succeed.

Vision

Teen parent families thrive and enrich our community.

Organizational Values

Person Centered

We are relentless in putting those we serve at the heart of our work.

Respectful

We are inclusive and celebrate diversity

Collaborative

We build authentic relationships and partnerships

Innovative

We are creative trailblazers

Responsible

We ensure the sustainability of our core services

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Letter from Leadership

In 1971, we started a journey to enrich the lives of teen parents and their children. Five decades later, we proudly reflect on our rich history of dedication and innovation and are grateful to our partners and supporters that have helped bring us to where we are today. Our 50th anniversary has been the focus of many conversations over the past year, not only reflecting on how we got here, but planning where we are headed and how we will continue to inspire the lives of teen parent families in the future.

2021 was our second pandemic year. We continued to adapt our work to ensure our teen parent families could trust that they were our priority. We delivered services safely, held meetings online, did home visitations at a distance, and brought groups together with outdoor activities. We celebrated graduation and holidays creatively but with the same enthusiasm and joy our families have come to know.

With well-timed funding and support from our generous donors, we were able to be responsive to ever-changing needs of today's teen parents. We undertook the planning for *Ready to Work* - a program to support employment readiness and skill building. We added a half-time position to the Mental Health team to address growing needs for mental health services. We also presented at the 2021 National Fathering Conference alongside



Karen Mottershead



Mary Stewart

Dr. Phil Sevigny, U of A, Assistant Professor, Educational Psychology Dept, and brought more attention to the unique needs of young dads, an incredible opportunity for Terra and our staff.

Operationally, 2021 was packed with excitement. We successfully completed the work to become accredited through the Canadian Accreditation Council with 100% compliance on all standards. This accreditation recognizes that Terra's best practices meet high standards in all areas of our service delivery. We also made significant progress towards building our future capacity to support our participants by selling our downtown building and purchasing the new building. This new space will drive our work forward ensure we can continue to impact our participants in innovative ways.

We want to thank our friends, partners and supporters who continue to believe in our work and know that when we invest in the futures of teen parent families, we are building stronger futures for us all.



Karen Mottershead
Executive Director



Mary Stewart
Board Chair



Bette Jane Walkey, 1949 - 1971
Coordinator of MOVE (TERRA)

Terra's first leading force was Bette Jane Walkey. As a teen parent and single mother, she wanted young people like her to have the support any parent deserves. As she began piecing together what would one day become Terra, she was determined to offer resources to teen moms to give them a better life, including housing, counselling, education and childcare.

Two years into her work with MOVE Association for Assistance to Unwed Mothers, now Terra, Bette's life was taken. Her untimely death impacted those who walked beside her and strengthened their resolve to ensure teen parents had the tools that they needed to help their families succeed.

Who We Served in 2021



Teen Moms
309



Young Dads
53



Children
366



Non-binary Parent
1



Identify as Indigenous
56%



teen parents connected through
community partnerships

~300

Terra commits to applying the principles of equity and anti-oppression to everything it undertakes: services delivery, policy development, relationship building and system design.



WE SET TEEN PARENTS UP FOR FUTURE SUCCESS

Through a wide range of supports, we help teen parents achieve their high school and post-secondary goals to create futures rich with possibility.



WE KEEP CHILDREN AT THE HEART OF OUR WORK

Early learning and care is embedded into everything we do. We are committed to ensuring the children of teen parents have the very best start in life and can grow into contributing society members.



WE GIVE TEEN PARENTS THE TOOLS TO CREATE A HEALTHY HOME

We help teen parents secure safe, affordable and stable housing. With a roof over their heads, young parents can focus on raising healthy, happy children.



WE BUILD STRONG RELATIONSHIPS WITH TEEN PARENTS

We educate and connect our young moms and dads to the community supports required to help them become self-sufficient and build their capacity to raise healthy children.

Terra Through the Years

1969

Teen parent, **Bette Jane Walkey** establishes Pleasantview Single Mothers Home for 5 unwed* teen moms (prior to MOVE).



1970

Bette Walkey and two other unwed* mothers start a support group with social worker, **Kay Feehan**.

1971

MOVE the Association for Assistance for Unwed Mothers is incorporated as a registered society. Located at the Trust House with a collection of youth organizations.

October 1971

Bette Walkey's violent death sparks deeper resolve to seeing her vision for teen moms become a reality.

1973

- MOVE grows from a group of 12 to 35 teen moms
- **Edmonton Public School Board** provides a teacher to assist with correspondence courses

1974

Operations moved to Ritchie School

1975

Name is changed from **MOVE** to **Terra the Association for Assistance to Unwed* Mothers**

1976

- The **Edmonton Catholic School Board** provides two teachers
- Terra is serving 40 teen moms

1980

Terra, Edmonton Catholic & Edmonton Public School Boards form partnership to provide services at St. Bride's School

1984

Terra establishes outreach services

1991

- **188** teen moms accessing programs and services
- Name changed: Terra Association Meeting the Challenge of Teen Pregnancy

1993

Special funding enables six Outreach Counsellor positions

1997

- Edmonton Public and Catholic School Boards officially designate **Braemar School** as the education centre for pregnant and parenting teen moms, opening to students.
- Terra Centre **downtown office** purchased for community-based services.



*common language used at the time

1999 Terra begins offering services to **Young Dads**



2000 Funds secured to develop **Housing Support Services**

2005 First Promising Futures fundraising event raised \$170,000

2006

- Name changed: **Terra Centre for Pregnant and Parenting Teens**
- In partnership, Terra operates **Hope Terrace**, a 14-unit apartment building which offered safe, affordable housing for Terra participants (2006 - 2014)

2012 Name changed to Terra Centre for Teen Parents

By 2011 Terra is serving over **600 teen parents** each year.

2013 Terra establishes mental health services to address complex needs of teen parents

2014

- Brentwood Community Development Group and Terra establish partnership with **Brentwood** providing **safe and affordable housing** to Terra families.
- **Project Touchdown**, a new four-plex for Terra families attending post-secondary was built by Carrington Group of Builders (Changing Futures Foundation)
- **C5** collaborative established with *Norwood Child and Family Resource Centre, Boyle Street Community Services, Bent Arrow Traditional Healing Society* and *Edmonton Mennonite Center for Newcomers*,



2020

- Purchase of new building at 10320 - 146 Street
- established *Ready to Work* program to provide employment supports

2021 Terra moves to their new west-central location in Grovenor and begins comprehensive planning to better meet the complex and changing needs of teen parent families.



A History of *Multigenerational Impact*

With 50 years of working with teen parents and their children, we have witnessed an incredible impact that spans generations. Many of our alumni share that the cycles of poverty, abuse, neglect and trauma that were a part of their lived experience, ended when they came to Terra. We are not just supporting young parents - we are building stronger futures for generations to come.

Full Circle

Over the past 50 years we have seen a pattern of many Terra alumni pursuing careers in social work and related fields. When we reconnect and ask them why they chose that path, we often hear them say that they wanted to help others the way Terra helped them.

In 1999 Ashley was 17 and pregnant. Her home-life was unstable, her boyfriend was unsafe and high school was not an environment she wanted to be in at that time. She came to Terra for prenatal classes and parenting support through the Health for Two program. When her daughter, Talajah, was six months old, she felt ready to try completing her high school education at Braemar School.

She found a new love for school. She and Talajah would take long bus rides each day to get to Braemar. At the school she had friends who understood her, she was able to breastfeed her daughter who was just down the hall and she had regular access to a caring doctor. To improve her living situation, the Terra team helped Ashley get the financial support she needed for a safe apartment close to school.

After Ashley graduated she struggled*, but she kept working at being the parent she wanted to be. When her children were older, she was able to complete courses and gain the experience to work in a career she was drawn to.

Ashley is now an Outreach Worker and manages a team at Healthy Start for You and Me —providing supports to pregnant and parenting teens in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Talajah is now 23 and studying psychology at the U of A. She met her best friend and now roommate when they were both babies at Terra's Child and Family Support Centre.

"When I came to Terra, I felt very welcome and very cared for. I had people telling me that I was going to be ok and encouraging me to keep moving forward - If I didn't have that, I don't know if I would have been ok."

— Ashley Lofthouse, Terra Alumni

Ashley and Talajah on their 1.5 hour bus ride to Braemar



*In 2016 we received funding from EPCOR to develop the *Post-High School Transition Program (PHSTP)* to respond to challenges like Ashley experienced after she graduated from Braemar. Learn more about the PHSTP program page 11.

“Terra taught me to seek help and not to be afraid to ask for help when I need it.”

— Kim Cardinal, Terra Alumni



Kim Cardinal at Terra's Graduation Ceremony 1987

Leaving Trauma Behind

Since our doors opened in 1971, we've known that most of the teen parents who connect with us are coming with a history of trauma. As we've grown, we have continually sought out new ways to support our participants' mental health while at Terra, as well as teach them to seek support after they are no longer connected to us.

Kim grew up in a violent home with a single mom who could not control her anger. At 12, Kim found friendship with the crowd of kids who were known to do drugs and she remembers a lot of partying and feeling like she was invincible.

At 16, Kim came home one evening to another hostile encounter with her mother and she decided she would be better off leaving her home. She spent the next year or so couch surfing and taking on nanny jobs to get by. At 18, Kim discovered she was pregnant and without support or information. She knew she needed help.

Kim found Terra and her life began to turn around. She was an average student before, but at Terra she blossomed into a strong one. Kim remembers catching on to concepts quickly and never wanting to miss a day of school. Her son, Douglas, arrived in May 1987, one month before departmental exams. Kim remembers dragging herself to an exam after a sleepless night with her baby. Terra staff took care of newborn

Douglas, rubbed Kim's back and cheered her on before the test.

After graduating high school, she went to NAIT where she completed an office assistant program. Although she struggled with finding a job right away, eventually Kim had everything in place for her and Douglas.

A few years later, Kim expanded her family but found herself a single parent again when her partner left her and her three sons. She turned to the tools she learned at Terra and used journaling to help cope with being a single parent. She knew she did not want to be like her mother and did everything she could to prevent that, including regular counselling sessions for her and her boys.

Her sons are all grown and Kim is a proud grandmother to eight grandchildren. Douglas is a family man and works in the insurance industry. He is also going to night school in hopes to pursue a new career. Joshua has five little-ones at home and works for Corrections Service Canada. Kim's youngest son is currently experiencing addictions but with a strong, supportive family around him, they are all hoping for a good outcome.

Kim's journey has not always been easy, and there will always be bumps in the road. She's grateful to have her experiences at Terra and the lessons she learned to help her when times get tough.



Cam and her son, Shane –1979

Pursuit of Confidence

A key element of Terra’s work has always been to ensure teen moms had the skills and confidence to take care of their children.

Cam grew up in small town Alberta. In 1979, at the age of 16, she found out she was pregnant. The small town she lived in didn’t offer programs to support pregnant teens, so Cam moved to Edmonton. Moving from a small town to a big city was traumatic for Cam. She moved in with one of her sisters and together they discovered Terra and are so thankful they did.

At Terra, Cam was supported with her high school correspondence work. She also attended Terra’s prenatal, parenting and child development classes. Cam no longer felt alone as she had her teachers, workers and peers to support her. She was happy to develop friendships with other teen parents that could relate to each other.

Cam remembers when Shane was born, she was grateful to have the support of her family and Terra workers. Terra workers came to her home and helped her feel confident as a new mom. They also helped Cam develop education goals and build a career plan.

Following high school graduation, Cam went to NAIT and received her Computer Systems Technology diploma. She entered the Information Technology (IT) industry and worked long hours to provide for her, Shane

“Without Terra, I don’t think I would have graduated high school or gone on to support my family like I had.”

— Cam Miles, Terra Alumni

and later, Shane’s sister. When Cam had more time, she gave back to Terra by serving many years on the Board of Directors and was so happy to contribute to Terra after receiving so much support in her early years.

Cam recently retired from a senior management role in IT and enjoys spending time with her children and grandchildren.

Shane was a high energy independent child and is now an active outdoorsman, who loves taking his family on all sorts of adventures. Shane is a successful home builder, owning his own company and has recently started a new drilling company.

With the support Terra provided Cam, she was able to have the skills and confidence she needed to raise her family, which Cam will always be thankful for. Cam continues to support Terra and wishes all teen parents’ success.

Cam and her son, Shane –2021



Early Learning & Care

Terra Educators

Children have been at the heart of our work since we began. We know that without access to quality, affordable childcare, teen parents are less likely to be able to achieve the promising future they strive for.

Located in Braemar School, our Child and Family Support Centre (CFSC) ensures the children of teen parents get the best start in life. We also provide support to teen parents by helping them to parent with confidence and see themselves as capable. With focus on teen parents and their children, we apply innovative childcare practice in our work.

Highly trained Early Childhood Educators deliver Terra's quality early learning and care. Our Educators' work is guided by sound foundational knowledge of child development. They are fluent in play-based learning, child well-being, meaningful routines and understanding of various family dynamics. Our Educators hold a strong image of the child as a capable, mighty learner and citizen. Educators base their program planning from observed interests of the children. Children are valued, respected and recognized as citizens within each playroom community and throughout the centre.

Our Educators recognize their significant role as a resource for supporting teen parents in learning about child development as well as providing emotional support to ensure parents

feel confident. Educators model activities and encourage teen parents to provide similar enriching activities at home, then engage with parents when they share stories of home experiences. These efforts help build strong relationships between parents and Educators, which helps support the success of the whole family.

Terra has increasingly played a leadership role in the Early Childhood Development community. We actively participate in opportunities for research, innovation in practice and contribution to the broader field of early learning and care. Terra's participation as a research site for the development of *Flight: Alberta's Early Learning and Care Framework*, gave our Early Childhood Educators the opportunity to share their knowledge and experience through mentoring others in the field.

Terra's Early Childhood Educators are guided by the principles, values, core concepts and holistic goals from *Flight*. They use this framework to guide decision making, and to engage in a co-inquiry process with children, families and other educators. Together, Educators co-imagine possibilities, co-learn and co-research while engaging in a practice of observation, documentation, and reflection.



COVID-19 has impacted the number of parents and children who typically access the CFSC. During the pandemic we have been in regular contact with our participants and have been supporting at-home early childhood engagement activities with Family Engagement Kits.

Innovative Research

Young Dads



Shelby with his son, Grayson

Historically, young fathers have not always been prioritized as an important figure in young families' lives. Early in our history we identified the need for programs to support the goals of young dads, but stereotypes and lack of advocacy made it difficult to gain support and funding.

As our community evolved to recognize dynamics in the family landscape, we were able to focus on developing programming and resources specifically aimed at young dads. We commissioned several research projects to make the most informed decisions on how best to approach services for young dads and respond to their unique needs.

One research project explored the implications of young fathers finishing high school. It was found that a dichotomy existed in which dads felt the need to work to support their family but could not attain a livable income without completing their education first. Between limited options for employment and lack of funding eligibility, fathers needed additional support with education, finances, and employment.

In a later study we unearthed how community service providers could offer practical aid to young dads. While it was understood that parents needed support in their lives, "parent" was still understood to mean "mother." We made efforts internally and externally to help service providers see fathers as an equally valued, valid, and important parent, and research was done to focus on the positive impact fathers have on

child development.

Raising awareness of the positive influence fathers have has given dads connected to Terra the confidence they need to be present in their children's lives. They gain a better understanding of how their presence fosters well-adjusted children with healthy social skills, self-acceptance, and the ability to maintain positive relationships.

Shelby & Grayson

When Shelby came to Terra in 2019, he was engaged in a legal battle for full custody of his son Grayson. While his legal team worked with him on his case, we were able to help Shelby prepare for having Grayson at home by providing one-on-one guidance with parenting and child development.

Shelby gained custody of Grayson in March of 2020 and Grayson has flourished with Shelby. Our work with them is now focused on their successful future together.

Through home visitations, group programs, parenting classes, and our mental health supports team, we support young dads with:

- strengthening relationships
- child and family development
- advocacy for parental rights and custody issues
- finding and expanding support networks
- personal development

During the pandemic our programs were adapted to provide services safely.

Innovative Relationships

Post High School



PHSTP Facilitator providing on-campus support.

When Terra first started, our work with teen parents included providing supports to help them complete their high school education. Since 2016, Terra has also been providing unique supports that address specific barriers to moving onto and succeeding in post-secondary programs.

Our team witnessed two significant barriers to post-secondary achievement among our families. First, Terra participants nearing the end of their high school journey were reporting they were uncertain if post-secondary was something to consider. Second, those who did pursue post-secondary but did not complete their programs, reported difficulties with adapting to new systems as well as missing the supportive connections they had with Terra.

In 2016, we received three years of funding from EPCOR to help us develop our Post High School Transition Program (PHSTP) to provide the necessary support for more teen parents to pursue and be successful in post-secondary programs. This program supports young parents by helping them successfully navigate systems, set and achieve goals, and maintain life stability—all essential to their educational success.

Terra's PHSTP Facilitator begins her work with teen parents in their final year of high school, to help them discover the opportunities available to them, to remind them of their strengths and keep them encouraged. Those who enroll in post-

secondary are supported with all the aspects of post-secondary life, from the application process, receiving emotional support, advocacy, as well as continued guidance with parenting.

In 2021, Terra and the Canadian Scholarship Trust Foundation partnered to develop a new fund that will support students with pre-post-secondary costs. These are expenses that pose financial barrier to even beginning a post-secondary journey and include application fees, tuition deposits and other expenses not covered by student loans or other funding sources. This fund will make a meaningful difference for our participants by removing financial obstacles associated with the application process.

"Over my years of working with young parents pursuing post-secondary, I have learned that the most important thing that I can do is be a supportive, consistent presence who is always there to walk beside participants through the struggles and celebrations that being a young parent brings."

- Gracia, PHSTP Facilitator

Terra participant taking in student life at the U of A



Focus on the Future

With our long history of experience, vibrant community connections and strong relationships we can anticipate potential obstacles that will affect our future teen parent families. With innovation, responsible practice and our generous community of support, we can continue to be responsive to the changing needs of teen parents and their children.

New Home

As the needs of teen parents continue to become more complex and social pressures continue to persist, it became clear that our downtown Edmonton location limited our capacity to address the needs of our families — current and future.

Our new building not only removes barriers to providing services, it will create opportunities that will:

- Enable Terra to help even more teen parents become successful parents and members of society through increased programming space.
- Help to alleviate poverty and address food security issues in the community by offering educational training and development programs that help set young parents — and their children — up for success.



Terra's new west-central location | 10320 - 146 Street

- Support more young parents in their education and employment journeys through the creation of a computer learning lab.
- Provide intentional Early Child Development opportunities for families.
- Build a stronger, healthier community for everyone with increased dedicated mental health support services.

This new building will help Terra support more participants in moving from crisis to stability as well as ensure that we can continue to be responsive and build stronger futures.

Building Stronger Futures

A team of community leaders has joined with us to embark on a capital campaign that will help Terra realize its vision for the future. Together we will better the lives of teen parents, their children, and their family units, while having wide-reaching positive impacts on society.

You can learn more about our campaign for a new Terra centre on our website or by contacting Kejina Robinson, Director, Fund Development krobinson@terracentre.ca or 780-428-3772

STRENGTHENING FAMILIES · THRIVING COMMUNITIES



**BUILDING
STRONGER
FUTURES**

A CAMPAIGN FOR A NEW TERRA CENTRE

Architectural Rendering of our Future Learning Lab



Future Builders

We celebrate and thank our Future Builders for their unwavering commitment to our vision of teen parent families thriving and enriching our community. These special donors have contributed to Terra's endowment fund or included us in their estate plans.

- Private Member
- Bert and Joyce Cook Fund at Edmonton Community Foundation
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- Margaret R. Brooks
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- Sylvia Nasser Education Fund for Terra at Edmonton Community Foundation
- Terra Nutrition Fund at Edmonton Community Foundation
- The Family of Toby Levy Fund at Edmonton Community Foundation
- Amy Walchuk
- Barry and Valerie Walker
- George and Roberta Wells

Planned gifts provide future income for Terra to ensure we can continue empowering teen parents to succeed well into the future. Membership in Future Builders is available for anyone making a planned gift, no matter the size.

If you have made – or are thinking of making – a planned gift for Terra, please let us know. When you do, we want to honour you as a member of Future Builders. To explore how you can leave a legacy at Terra, please contact Donna Ma at 780-428-3772 or dma@terracentre.ca.



Family Legacies

The Stewart Family

In 1983, Mary was expecting her first child. While she was young and single, she had the support of her family and was excited to welcome her little one into the world. Mary had a tough time finding a prenatal program that focused on single parents, until she found the prenatal classes at Terra.

Many years later, Mary joined Terra's Board of Directors. She brought 30 years of experience working with families and is currently the Associate Chair in Community Studies at Norquest and an instructor in ELCC. Mary is inspired by the holistic approach with our teen parent families and our intentional practice of strengthening parent/child relationships.

Her passion for Terra spilled over to her family members both in Alberta and British Columbia. Her parents in British Columbia, Jim and Terry, are keen to be involved in the lives of their four children and have learned about

Mary Stewart (centre) and her nieces at the High Level Bridge lit green and orange in honour of Terra's 50th Anniversary year.



Terra's work through Mary.

Jim is glad there is a place for teen parents to get support with their education while also giving their children the best start. Terry believes there is tremendous value in the work we do with young dads because they have a significant role in their children's lives.

In sharing her passion, Mary has built an multigenerational legacy within her family. Her parents, now in their eighty's, are generous donors and her Alberta family members including her sister and nieces, show their support for Terra and teen parent families at our fundraising events.

Terra is fortunate to have supporters like the Stewart family, who believe in Terra and the strength of teen parent families and who are proud to share our story.



Kathy Kozens
1963 - 2019

The Kozens Family

Kathy Kozens and her family have been a gift to Terra. Kathy began working at Terra in 1999, working in both the childcare team as well as with the outreach programs. She guided the work of her team members and profoundly impacted the lives of the families she worked with. Her premature death in May of 2019 broke our hearts, but the legacy of her dedication and giving spirit lives through her family.

Kathy was passionate about her work with our families and would go the great lengths to provide access to resources and support their needs. Kathy loved to bring people together and create celebrations, and she would bring her partner Tim, and her sons Robert and Jon, to volunteer their time and contribute to raising spirits. Tim

and Kathy's children (and sometimes grandchildren) were helping hands at many of our participant events, delivering dozens of highchairs to the facility, setting up tables and cleaning up afterwards. Their support made it possible for our staff to focus on our participants. When Terra began fundraising through bingos, the Kozens family was there to volunteer. Robert and Jon both continue to volunteer at bingos since Kathy's passing.

With their years of support the Kozens family has contributed thousands of volunteer hours, enriching our work and the lives of teen parent families. Kathy's legacy lives on through her family and their commitment to improving the lives of teen parent families.



Jon Kozens (centre) with Terra volunteers at Ft. Road Bingo Hall

Strong Partnerships

Brentwood Community Development Group

With Terra's commitment to the success of teen parent families, and Brentwood Community Development Group's commitment to affordable housing, a dream-team partnership was formed in 2014. This partnership was built to address the struggle for many teen parents to attain safe and secure housing that was keeping them and their children in unstable situations. A lack of access to affordable, safe housing is exacerbated by the stigma that surrounds teen parenting. Such stigma leads to reluctance from many landlords to accept young parent families as tenants.

This one-of-a-kind partnership provides teen parent families with access to safe, secure and subsidized housing and attentive wraparound supports.

Terra works with teen parent tenants through a Skill Development model that empowers participants to maintain their

homes, reduce social isolation and engage the community around them. Through group activities, community engagement and in-home visitation, Housing Support Workers support teen parent families to develop life-long skills to enjoy secure tenancy and experience belonging in their community.

Living in the Brentwood housing complex with wraparound supports have demonstrated success for families with complex needs. This partnership is helping teen parents achieve their potential while strengthen their communities.

2021 Community BBQ Event Hosted by Brentwood



since 2014,
117 families
have accessed safe,
affordable housing at
Brentwood Homes

Strength in Collaboration

The C5, collaboration of five agencies, was founded in 2015, as a result of the vision from five leaders in the social sector who were tired of working in silos and watching their community members try to navigate an increasingly complex patchwork of government and social supports.

C5 partners include:

- Bent Arrow Traditional Healing Society
- Boyle Street Community Services
- EMCN
- Norwood Child and Family Resource Centre
- Terra Centre for Teen Parents

This strong collaboration enables us to take risks, work differently and respond to emerging needs more quickly. In our initiatives on the ground, together with government and agency partners, we use research and best practices to change the way we work and achieve stronger

outcomes for children and families.

As a collaborative of five agencies, together with community partners, we developed the NE Community Hub based on integrated service delivery. This means one door in for people to access the services they need - either right in the community, or with help to get to where they need to go. Families rarely present with a single need; they are usually dealing with multiple challenges and this model helps to address complex needs with the ability to access as many supports as possible in one place.

C5 Spirit of the Community gathering



Partners

Terra is fortunate to have a wide range of partners in the community to help us reach our goals. Through collaboration, we are able to better serve our families and achieve more together.

- AHVNA
- Alberta Father Involvement Initiative
- Alberta Parent-Child Assistance Program
- Association of Early Childhood Educators of Alberta (AECEA)
- Bent Arrow Traditional Healing Society
- Birth Control Centre
- Bissell Centre
- Bonnie Doon Health Clinic
- Boyle Street Community Services
- Braemar School
- Brentwood Community Development Group
- C5 Northeast Community Hub
- Canadian Association of Family Resource Programs (FRPCanada)
- Capital Region Housing Corporation
- Carrington Group of Builders Ltd.
- Catholic Family Service of Calgary – Louise Dean Centre
- Catholic Social Services Centre for Child, Family and Community Research
- Centre for Family Literacy
- Child Development Dayhomes
- Chimo Youth Retreat Centre
- Community Initiatives Against Family Violence (CIAFV)
- Community Options
- Community-University Partnership (CUP) for the Study of Children, Youth & Families
- Duggan Public Health Centre
- East Edmonton Health Centre
- Edmonton and Area Fetal Alcohol Network
- Edmonton Catholic School District
- Edmonton Coalition on Housing and Homelessness
- Edmonton Inter-Agency Youth Services Org (EIYSA)
- Edmonton John Howard Society
- Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers
- Edmonton Public Library
- Edmonton Public School Board
- Edmonton Young Offender Centre
- Edmonton's Food Bank
- The Family Centre
- Father Involvement Network Edmonton Region
- The GRIT Program
- Health for Two
- Jasper Place Child and Family Resource Centre
- Kara Family Resource Centre
- Kids Kottage
- Kids Up Front Foundation
- La Leche League of Canada
- Legal Aid Alberta
- MacEwan University Early Learning & Child Care Program
- Norwood Child and Family Resource Centre
- Ottewell Place
- Our Lady of Grace School of Alternative Education
- PolicyWise for Children & Families
- Post Partum Depression Association
- Primrose Place Family Centre
- Royal Alex – Adolescent Pregnancy Care Clinic
- TODAY Family Violence Help Centre
- University of Alberta, Department of Educational Psychology
- West Jasper Place Public Health Centre
- Woodcroft Community League
- YOUNG Youth Services
- Youth Empowerment and Support Services (YESS)
- Zebra Child Protection Centre

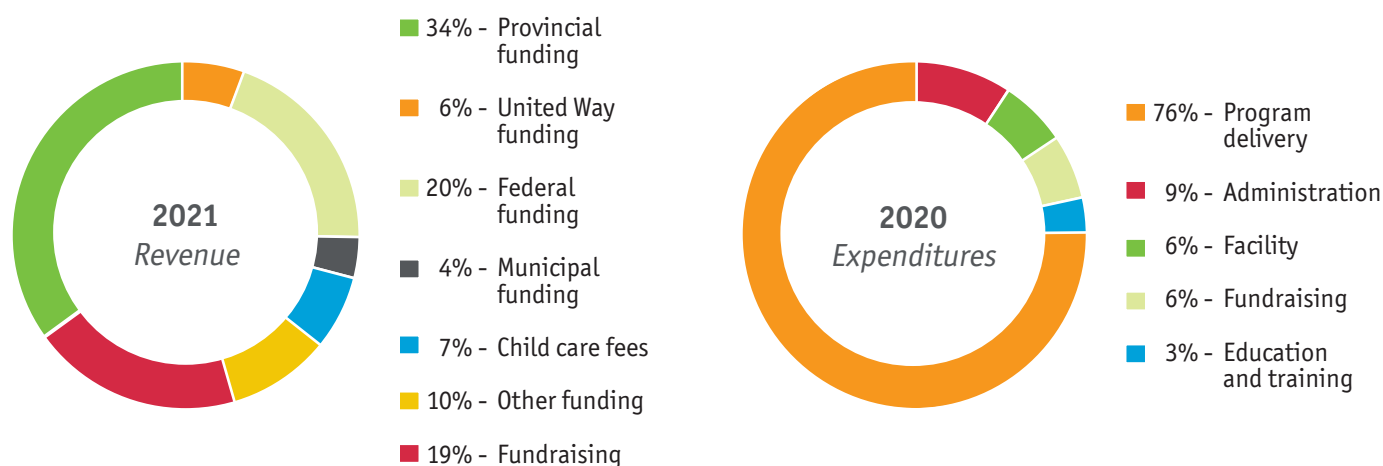
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- Alberta Children's Services
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- City of Edmonton – Donate A Ride
- City of Edmonton Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)
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- Edmonton Region Child & Family Services
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- Government of Alberta
- Government of Canada – Ministry of Families, Children and Social Development
- Public Health Agency of Canada (including the Alberta CAPC-CPNP Coalition)
- Royal Alexandra Hospital Employees' Charitable
- Donations Fund
- Stollery Charitable Foundation
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We have made every effort to ensure these lists are complete and accurate. If we have made an error or omission, please accept our apology and contact our office at 780-428-3772 and we will correct our records.

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