

Since 1962, George Jeffrey Children's Centre has been delivering one-stop access to inter-disciplinary, evidence-based, and family-centre services for children and youth with special needs in our community. We work with teams that include regulated health professionals and others to deliver a wide variety of treatments and services, and over 80,000 children and youth with special needs across the province are served by one of the 21 Children's Treatment Centres here in Ontario.

The child and youth community-based rehabilitation sector has been under-funded for many years. We have heard from families that CTCs need to dramatically reduce wait times, provide more therapy for children and youth, and ensure that services are more flexible and accessible. We know there is work to do to meet these objectives, and we've been speaking to governments of all political stripes for decades about this pressing need.

This is about caring and fairness for Ontario's children and youth with special needs. It's about caring and fairness for their families. To address the needs of the children of today and tomorrow, in a manner that is fair and equal in all communities across Ontario, CTCs require new, significant, long-term investment of \$120M over four-years, beginning with \$40M in 2018-19.

Help us spread the word about this campaign – share this post with your networks, find us on Facebook at George Jeffrey Children's Centre, and ask your local elected officials and political candidates to support our campaign. You can also help by sharing your story about how George Jeffrey Children's Centre has made a difference in your life or the life of a child that you know – please get in touch with us today at 625-6844.

Together, we can help ensure that every child and youth with special needs in Ontario gets the same chance to thrive at home, excel at school, and fully participate in our community - just like other kids.