

Premier announces funding for child care in Labrador ^[1]

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More than \$685,000 was announced today by the Honourable Kathy Dunderdale, Premier of Newfoundland and Labrador, to support three child care centres in the communities of Labrador City and Wabush.

The Honourable Charlene Johnson, Minister of Child, Youth and Family Services, and Jim Baker, MHA for Labrador West, joined the Premier for the announcement. This was the second announcement made by Premier Dunderdale today that will benefit children, youth and families in Labrador. The Premier was also in Happy Valley-Goose Bay to announce \$200,000 for a new family resource centre.

"I am delighted to announce funding that will enhance child care services and create more regulated spaces for Labrador," said Premier Dunderdale. "Supporting children and their families is a top priority for our government. Not only will these additional child care spaces help promote the healthy development of children, they will also contribute to the overall economic development for the region and the province as a whole."

This funding is being provided through the Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) Capacity Initiative of the Department of Child, Youth and Family Services. It will support the development of 117 new regulated child care spaces in Labrador and also sustain existing spaces by providing funding for renovations to maintain a current child care facility.

"This is indeed a positive announcement for families living in Labrador City and Wabush," said Minister Johnson. "Our government is steadfast in providing support for children and today's announcement demonstrates our commitment to children, youth and families in all areas of Newfoundland and Labrador."

Funding was provided to two sponsoring agencies in Labrador - Labrador West Child Care Incorporated and Glad Tidings Pentecostal Church - for the development of new spaces and to maintain an existing child care program.

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