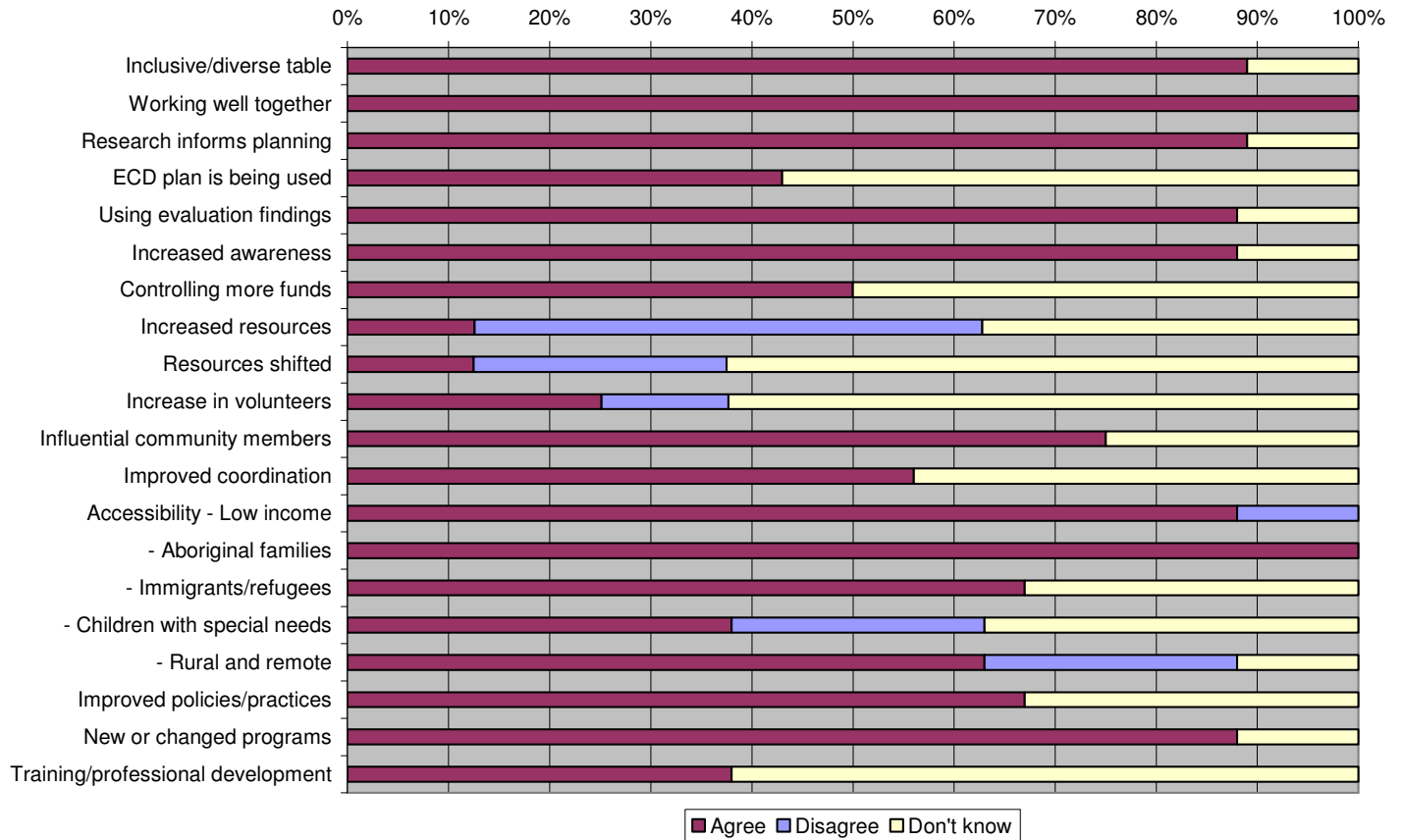


Mission 2008 Outcome Summary (N=10)



Outcomes Key (Expanded version of outcomes listed in the chart above):

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Mission Detailed Outcomes 2008

Improved Community Driven Planning and Coordination

1. Our community table is inclusive and diverse (e.g. engagement of diverse partners such as businesses, Aboriginal and multi-cultural communities, formerly uninvolved residents, new organizations)		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	88.9%	8
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	11.1%	1
<i>answered question</i>		9
<i>skipped question</i>		1

1a. If you selected "Agree" please provide an example of how the community table is inclusive and diverse

Staff who provide support for Aboriginal children are on the committee.
Consists of members from community services, literacy, health, MCFD, aboriginal services, business, parks and rec, IOP, IDP, MACL
Monies allocated are being used to target aboriginal parents and children, but are inclusive to others, places are chosen to hold workshops that are more comfortable for aboriginal people to be. Example an amenities room in an aboriginal housing project.
Diversity is demonstrated with representation from business, non profit and private sector, aboriginal or those who work with the aboriginal community, school reps, public health, people who work with children with special needs...
Many representatives from social and health agencies although could be more from business and aboriginal. However I think this is not from lack of trying to be inclusive.
Representative of most social services in the community, representative of the cultural mix, age and gender perspectives diverse groups involved....maybe business sector missing?
We have a good variety at our ECD table. There are people from the school district, library, aboriginal organizations, union gospel mission, public health, women's resource society, the arts council, metis association, Mission Literacy Association, Mission Association of Community Living, and MCFD.

2. We are working well together at the community table to strengthen ECD services and supports (coordinated; collaborative)		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	100.0%	9
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	0.0%	0
<i>answered question</i>		9
<i>skipped question</i>		1

2a. If you selected "Agree" please provide an example of how you are working well together to plan for ECD services and supports

Partner on offering programs/worships and share info to keep everyone aware of new initiatives, programs etc.
Using information from the mapping to plan and initiate ways to increase services to the areas needed. Presently working towards a community bus to service hard to access areas.
Having meetings that represent some of the smaller groups of people in the community.
By examining the results of community research we can determine where best fit is for new programs. Groups are now consulting with the ECD comm or the coordinator for input when planning programs.
Collaborative efforts toward funding special projects, info sharing,

At that table there are so many agencies that in some cases one group may express the need they have seen and another group is able to provide it. For instance, Public Health stated a need in a particular trailer park for some parent/child story times to help the parents connect with helping their pre-school children begin reading. Mission Literacy Association provided a story time program.

Cross section of community representatives attending regular meeting.

Multi Agency networking.

Collaborative approach to funding initiatives

coordinated community events, information sharing

There is a large amount of networking going on in this community between the organizations and associations involved at the ECD table. Many of us are working on a plan for a literacy bus to travel through our community . The ECD component of this project is strong.

3. Research is being used to inform planning and to guide the work of the initiative - e.g.community socio-economic data, information on current services, service gaps, parents' needs, use of data from the Early Development Instrument(EDI)		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	88.9%	8
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	11.1%	1
<i>answered question</i>		9
<i>skipped question</i>		1

3a. If you selected "Agree" please provide an example of how research is used to guide the work of the initiative

EDI Community Mapping was developed and clearly communicated to the group. Members can use the information in program planning.
Community mapping study Barriers survey; community Developmental fairs; parental surveys
Community grants were disbursed using the research information.
EDI updates have been presented and used regularly for assessment, planning and implementation. Attendance figures from programs are analysed. Gaps have been noted
census, EDI, University of the Fraser Valley research stats....and more are all used in discussions and in project decisions.
All of the above plus: ECD mapping project is in place. Regular evaluations on existing and new programs. EDI Completed and follow up started.
transportation was an issue identified in community gap research and a bus is being pursued to meet this need
Many of us in the community use the valuable mapping and parent survey information to guide our choices and decisions about programs and services to offer in various parts of our community.

4. Our ECD strategic plan is being used to guide or influence initiatives in our community (if you don't yet have an ECD plan, do not answer this question)		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	42.9%	3
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	57.1%	4
<i>answered question</i>		7
<i>skipped question</i>		3

4a. If you selected "Agree", please provide an example of how the ECD plan is used to guide or influence the work of the initiative

Mapping survey has guided our plans in regards to services that we need to focus on in the domains that need attention. Barrier surveys have also guided us as to looking at different venues, services, and ways that we can offer programs in the community.

It opens your eyes to areas that maybe have been forgotten, it is concrete information that can be used.

Used widely by Mission Literacy Association, Mission School District, Mission Social Planning Committee, Community Services...and likely others. It is cited as a source at many community tables to determine where services and programs should be targeted.

5. Community table-led evaluation findings (e.g. formal evaluation of the initiative, evaluation of specific programs or policies) are being used for improvement		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	87.5%	7
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	12.5%	1
<i>answered question</i>		8
<i>skipped question</i>		2

5a. If you selected "Agree" please provide an example of how evaluation findings have been used for improvement

Mapping study has been presented, discussed and reviewed with the committee. Excellent presentations and question period at meetings, able to use these findings to improve and complement services that we offer in community.

By putting more emphasize on areas that are lacking.

In my area, we use it to determine what programs we should be providing and who would be the best partners for the programs.

Starting UEY evaluation and requesting input. (Project expectations after UEY)
Looking at 0-6 info. re positive trend in EDI.

gaps identified are being used for future goals and demographics are being used also

Findings from the evaluations are frequently used to plan various programs in our community. This enhances the services to portions of the community which are struggling with barriers and issues.

Improved Local Awareness and Mobilization

6. Our community has an increased awareness of the importance of early childhood development		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	87.5%	7
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	12.5%	1
<i>answered question</i>		8
<i>skipped question</i>		2

6a. If you selected "Agree", please provide an example of how awareness of the importance of early childhood development has increased

Parent feedback at ECD Special Events. Program Coordinators are more aware and use the information when planning

recreational programs.
Community players have become more involved in activities, both in the planning and the participation. (Newspaper reports, Mayor's involvement, business contributions)
I work for an aboriginal organization that has been tracking students that have left our preschool program and for the last two years we have seen these children excel and meet or surpass expectations, as they move out of elementary school and into high school. There is no question that they have been readier and excelling than the children prior to our program.
There is a buzz among professionals and parents about the significance of the early years. Lots of information has been disseminated, kids' fairs and events, community events
Example-need to include pre-school children in what was previously a school-aged only art program
Free Children's Celebrations monthly EG Celebration Mom's, Celebrating Dad's. 40 Development Assets for 3-5 year olds. Application for two new Strong Starts at local elementary schools. Exploration Camps at local elementary schools. Increase in resource workers MCFD.
Our ECD Committee has planned and organized so many resource days in our community that many people are now familiar with their projects and their research as well as individuals, groups, and organizations forming strong networks with each other.

7. More funding allocation decisions are controlled by the community table (e.g. funding allocations are guided by our local priorities; responsibility for some ECD funding has been transferred to our ECD table)		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	50.0%	4
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	50.0%	4
<i>answered question</i>		8
<i>skipped question</i>		2

7a. If you selected "Agree" please provide an example of funding allocations that are controlled by the community table

Grants for programs where awarded in our community and the members at the table had a say in awarding the funds. The process was fair.
Grant proposals reviewed and agreed upon with Children's First budget.
UEY Strong Start Grant applications addressed to ECD committee.
Our ECD committee gives annual grants to various groups who are providing wonderful services to the families of young children in our community - such as the Parent Child Mother Goose Program.

8. Community resources for ECD and family supports have increased (e.g. more resources from local fundraising events, grants, higher allocations from local government, federal or provincial funders, in-kind contributions).		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	12.5%	1
Disagree	50.0%	4
Don't know	37.5%	3
<i>answered question</i>		8
<i>skipped question</i>		2

8a. If you selected "Agree" please provide an example of how community resources for ECD and family supports have increased

Our Children's First budget is being eliminated, funding for CCRC has decreased (to almost nothing)
 Local fundraising events have increased eg; Children's Celebrations Days
 Received box of new books donated from Usbourne Books.
 Increase in free presentations eg: Kathy Lynn speaking about Childhood behaviour.
 New Early Childhood Learning Agency will be established.
 Leap B.C. Community Workshop
 New youth worker hired

9. More resources have been shifted towards the community ECD table priorities		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	12.5%	1
Disagree	25.0%	2
Don't know	62.5%	5
<i>answered question</i>		8
<i>skipped question</i>		2

9a. If you selected "Agree", please provide an example of resources that have been shifted

We have increased our programs for that age-group

10. There has been an increase in the number of volunteers who participate in community ECD activities		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	25.0%	2
Disagree	12.5%	1
Don't know	62.5%	5
<i>answered question</i>		8
<i>skipped question</i>		2

10a. If you selected "Agree", please provide an example of increased volunteerism

More people at meetings and at Developmental Fairs.
 The committee has really increased the awareness by being a part of so many committees and participating in so many events. They also provide good solid information and awareness-raising and therefore even if people are not attending the meetings of the ECD committee, they are showing awareness of their work.

11. We have attracted influential community members to our community events and initiatives (e.g. business leaders, Aboriginal band chief, municipal council member)		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	75.0%	6
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	25.0%	2
<i>answered question</i>		8
<i>skipped question</i>		2

11a. If you selected "Agree" please provide an example of increased involvement of influential community members in ECD activity in your community

I believe this has taken place in Mission at Special Events.
At different events we have had participation from council, aboriginal leaders, guest speakers (personnel)' however this is not always a for sure thing.
Missions Mayor James Atebe is very involved. Aboriginal chiefs and educators just need to be asked.
Mayor attends most of the events, school district officials, councillors
Mayor James Atebe attends events.
Our mayor and council members often attend community events and functions organized by the ECD committee

Improved Service Delivery

12. We have improved coordination of ECD services and supports		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	55.6%	5
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	44.4%	4
<i>answered question</i>		9
<i>skipped question</i>		1

12a. If you selected "Agree", please provide an example of how coordination has improved

There are more groups aware of ECD and they are now coming together to best serve the community.
We have tried to improve our services to areas of our community where we know there is a need. This has always proved difficult, as transportation in our community is a very big barrier to people attending and participating in events.
Communication between agencies has improved significantly and coordinated have followed.
The ECD committee has brought together all the various agencies which are involved with Early Childhood Development in the community such as the Health, Education and Min. of children and family development, Community agencies, Aboriginal groups, Municipal , daycare providers, child and youth mental health for coordination of services and planning and identifying priorities.
networking between community groups has improved with this leadership

13. We have made our ECD services more accessible (e.g. programs delivered in various languages, satellite or mobile programs, bus/taxi vouchers, extended days and hours of service, changed location of services) to families with young children in the following groups				
Answer Options	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Response Count
Low income families	7	1	0	8
Aboriginal families	7	0	0	7
Immigrants and refugees	4	0	2	6
Children with special needs	3	2	3	8
Families living in rural and remote communities	5	2	1	8
Other	0	0	0	0
(Please specify "other")				0
<i>answered question</i>				8
<i>skipped question</i>				2

13a. If you selected "Agree" please provide one or more examples of increased accessibility for these client groups

Free low cost programs offered through grants awarded. More funds are needed as we had to turn some groups away or limit their services by not providing the full dollar amount that was requested. Strong Start Program and Community Services Programs helping immigrants and refugees.
There has been an increase in the number of programs offered in different languages to people in our community. We are presently in the process of establishing a mobile bus service, so we are able to take our services out into the community (high needs areas). Some services are offered in the later afternoon and evening.
Example-ECD Committee is taking the lead on the development of a Community Bus which will bring services to those who cannot come to central service locations.
Tuesday club Future 4 Nations received Grant for food and supplies.
strong Start programs for multigenerational indocanadian parents and their preschool children and grandchildren at the West heights Neighborhood project
monthly community developmental fairs at the centrally located Recreation centre

14. We have improved policies and/or practices, to better meet the needs of children aged 0-6 years		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	66.7%	6
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	33.3%	3
<i>answered question</i>		9
<i>skipped question</i>		1

14a. If you selected "Agree", please provide an example of an improved policy and/or practice

Taking into account information of EDI's when programming for the 0-6 age group.
Offering programs through the day, trying to create more spaces for parents and children, offering services where a need has been identified (hot lunches/clothing exchange/grandparent-grandchildren groups)
ECD professionals networking, speaking and working cooperatively with local agencies.
Grants for early childhood programs are jointly decided by the ECD committee based on need and priority

15. We have new programs or have changed programs to better meet the needs of children aged 0-6 years		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	87.5%	7
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	12.5%	1
<i>answered question</i>		8
<i>skipped question</i>		2

15a. If you selected "Agree" please provide an example of a new or changed program

We are always improving but we need to do more and have more funds available.
Since the conception of the ECD program, programs for children have expanded to include; two family places in the community; family programs at the leisure centre, aboriginal centres, housing complexes and schools;
Mother Goose for infants and parents
Leap B.C. Workshop Hop initiative
provided funding for Mother Goose programs

16. There are increased opportunities for staff and/or volunteer training and professional development related to ECD services and family supports		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	37.5%	3
Disagree	0.0%	0
Don't know	62.5%	5
<i>answered question</i>		8
<i>skipped question</i>		2

16a. If you selected "Agree," please provide an example of how opportunities for training and professional development have increased

Free, workshops and low cost seminars, High Five Program offered in Partnership with BCRPA, M.A.C.L and Mission Parks Recreation and Culture.
There are more training sessions that are being offered for ECD staff and volunteers, some including fees and others free of charge. Professional service providers have also been given opportunities to attend planning sessions. (2 day planning session held last year)
As above