



# Strong Backbone Report Out Tool

## Strategic Priority

Strengthen the system of early childhood supports so that it is accessible, equitable, and directly linked to family needs

## Actions

List the action being worked on:

- Report recommendations:
  - Improve access to early childhood services (more publicly funded seats are needed in the city)^
  - Advocate for one mechanism by which families can apply for a wide range of benefits
  - Examine ways to use existing funds to create innovative cross-agency programs that support the whole family\*

What work has been done:

- Created three subgroups to address three report recommendations
- Begun action work plans for each recommendation

What else is needed to move this action further or complete it:

- Meet with Open Heart to discuss potential public campaign collaboration
- Schedule meetings with public organizations (October/November)

Any new actions as a result of working on this action:

- N/A

Any items ECAC needs to vote on? Not at this time  
If so we need background information included. N/A

## Performance Measures (Targets)

With the work being done on this action does it move us closer to our performance measures? Yes

Are the additional performance measures / targets that we need? None at this time.