

# TC2

## THRIVING CHILDREN - THRIVING COMMUNITY

### **What is TC2 (Thriving Children - Thriving Community)?**

It is a team of community & business members, parents, and others who share an interest and commitment to improve the lives of Windsor's young children birth through 8 years old.

We will create a comprehensive community plan by June 30, 2009. This plan will have a series of recommendations that will provide a course of direction and strategies for our community.

### **Why is TC2 important to you?**

This research-based community plan will effectively impact the entire Windsor community for years to come. TC2's plan will be used as a reference point for policy makers as they make decisions regarding funding and programming that affects our youngest citizens and families.

The key to the success of Thriving Children-Thriving Community will be the broad cross-section of Windsor so that the completed plan will reflect the needs, experience and wisdom of townspeople and professionals as possible.

- ❖ This is going to require input from all - let it begin with you and your neighbors!
- ❖ We are seeking community members and leaders of every neighborhood and all community and civic groups in order to chart a course that will lead us toward the future

### **What is the goal of TC2?**

**Goal:** All children will come to school ready, willing and able to succeed!

**Process:** TC2 will 1) identify Windsor's resources and unmet needs related to young children; 2) Recommend strategies to fill the gaps and address access to existing resources; 3) Develop a coordinated and effective system to support the development of our community's children.

## **How is TC2's work going to be accomplished?**

Over the rest of the project, we will be seeking your input on 3 identified areas:

- ❖ Health and wellness
- ❖ Early care and learning
- ❖ Family well-being

## **Who funds this project?**

This project is sponsored by the School/Family/Community Partnership, Windsor's Early Childhood Council and the School Readiness Council supported by a grant from the Graustein Memorial Fund and the Governor's Early Childhood Cabinet. This grant is a landmark partnership and collaboration between public and private funders.

## **How can you get involved?**

We need you! Your thoughts, ideas and experiences are welcomed, needed and highly appreciated.

- ❖ You can participate in focus group, or complete a survey. This allows your voice to be heard.
- ❖ You can serve on a committee.
- ❖ You can become involved in any number of community events that promote this community plan.
- ❖ You can volunteer to join the Leadership Work Group.

## **Who do you contact?**

If you or someone you know would like to participate in this exciting journey, or if you would like more information about this project, please contact Jan Kiehne, TC2 Coordinator, at 686-8677 or [jkiehne@windsorct.org](mailto:jkiehne@windsorct.org).