

\$10aDay Child Care: Life-Changing Impacts for BC Families August 2021

Late in 2018, when families of over 2,000 in BC children learned that their program would become a \$10/day prototype site, they described the impact of having their fees reduced to a maximum of \$10/day as "life-changing".

In 2020, an <u>independent evaluation</u> of the \$10/day prototype sites confirmed a range of economic and well-being impacts reported by families, including¹:

Impact:	Proportion of Families:
Reduced financial stress	98%
Improved quality of life	98%
Improved family well-being/reduced family stress	96%
Increased ability to save money & pay off debt	93%
Improved mental health	93%
Improved housing stability	92%
Improved family relationships	88%
Improved work-life balance	85%
Increased family quality time	82%
Improved physical health	82%
Reduced family social isolation	77%
Increased ability to focus on work	57%
Reduced absences from work or school	36%

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Summarized from Family Survey Tables 1.3 and 1.4, p. xi