

UW GWD Community Impact Vision & Outcomes

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ATKCB - Children & youth believe in themselves and get involved.	FP2P- Individuals and families have a network of basic needs supports.	SC - Individuals and families feel a sense of belonging and inclusion in their community.	SC - Individuals and families have positive mental health and are better able to handle life's challenges.	SC - Seniors have the social supports they need to be connected to their community.
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Measures

Increased wellbeing and/or social competence (self-reports and/or a standardized measure)	Access to stable, affordable, appropriate housing	Increased sense of belonging/connectedness to community (self-reports)	Improved self-regulation of emotion and/or coping skills (self-reports or observations of others)	Increased sense of belonging/connectedness to community (self-reports)
Increased or maintained self-esteem/ self confidence (self reports)	Reduced risk of eviction or homelessness	Improved social support and/or reduced isolation (self reports or observation by others)	Increased or maintained self-esteem/self confidence (self reports)	Improved social support and/or reduced isolation (self reports or observation by others)
Increased sense of belonging/connectedness to community (self-reports)	Decreased need for emergency food (self-report)	Strengthened relationships to family and/or friends (self reports or reports of family and friends)	Improved planning and/or decision-making skills (self reports)	Strengthened relationships to family and/or friends (self reports or reports of family and friends)
Reduced isolation (self reports or observation by others)	Increased access to sufficient nutritious, culturally appropriate, affordable food for oneself and/or one's family (self report)	Increased opportunities for leadership development	Improved social support and/or reduced isolation (self reports or observation by others)	Increased number of people and/or hours spent volunteering

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Increased leadership behaviour	Access to adequate family-sustaining income/income supports	Increased number of people and/or hours spent volunteering	Development of personal goals, and progress towards those goals (observation)	Confirmed access by clients to new services outside your organization
Improved relationships with others or social skills	Confirmed access by clients to new services outside your organization	New social connections	Improved communication within families and/or close relationships (self reports or observation)	Improved knowledge of other relevant services and how to access those services (self reports)
New or increased participation in school or community activities	Improved knowledge of other relevant services and how to access those services (self reports)	Confirmed access by clients to new services outside your organization	Reduced risk/harm and/or prevented behavioural/emotional crisis	
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