Unifor supports our child care workers and quality child care ALL families can afford.

Countries that invest in building a child care system realize benefits for everyone: children, women, families and communities.

For more information please email women@unifor.org.
Unifor is calling on all levels of government to do their part in building a public, non-profit system that we can count on. A recent strike by our members at Town Day Care in Nova Scotia illustrated the current crisis in child care. We’ve made a written submission to the Nova Scotia government calling for:

1) An increased number of regulated child care spaces
2) A cap on parent fees
3) A wage grid for Early Childhood Educators (ECEs)

These short term outcomes are part of a larger vision and concrete steps toward a universal system that you can find in our submission here: unifor.org/childcareNS

“I’ve been working in this field for over 25 years, not making much more than minimum wage. This is shameful ... I am the main source of income in my family, and it’s been a long-time struggle living with poverty-level wages, but I do it because I love my work and the children I teach.”

– Mary MacAulay, Early Childhood Educator, Town Day Care

Once workers graduate and enter the workforce they soon realize [they] can’t live on this salary...they are quickly leaving the field for another job. We have dedicated, well-trained, loving ECE’s in our province...[we need to] work towards allowing us to remain in our chosen field.

– Lisa Gentile, Unifor Unit Chair, Town Day Care