Program Profile

Program or project	Play2Learn
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Location/s	Shepparton, Mooroopna, Murchison, Tatura
Client group	Children aged 0-5 and their families
Internal stakeholders	Team Leaders, Senior Practitioners, Family Support Specialists
External stakeholders	Local service providers
Program or project description	Play2Learn is one of Save the Children's most successful programs across Australia, helping young children learn to play, socialise, establish routine and prepare for school. It is an intensive supported playgroup model that heads out into the community, providing children aged 0-5 with opportunities to learn, grow and develop through safe and supported playgroup model that works specifically with newly arrived CaLD families, we work with them within their local community, providing the children aged 0-5 with opportunities to learn, grow and develop through safe and supported play. Importantly, the program also supports parents who attend the playgroups with their children, by providing a soft-entry approach to family support, advice, and referrals to other services. The supported playgroup program is the largest of our Early Childhood Care and Development programs in Australia and has been running for more than 30 years. It helps children attain their right to quality early childhood education and supports their early childhood development, while also aiming to improve parenting skills, promote parent-child interaction and increase connection to community amongst the families that attend.