

## *Leading in Learning and Skilled Workforce*

**Leading in Learning and Skilled Workforce** is a new cross-ministry initiative. Alberta Human Resources and Employment (AHRE) is a co-champion of this cross-ministry initiative along with Alberta Education, Alberta Children's Services and Alberta Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development.

The purpose of this initiative is to ensure Alberta has the best learning system in Canada. *Leading in Learning and Skilled Workforce* will help Albertans acquire and apply leading edge knowledge and skills to foster innovation, to ensure a highly skilled and knowledge-based workforce, and to enjoy a high quality of life while being active and responsible citizens.

The cross-ministry working group has identified four objectives for the initiative:

**Objective 1:** To provide high-quality, accessible and affordable learning opportunities to Albertans and ensure they have opportunities to learn, adapt and develop new knowledge and new skills.

**Objective 2:** To assist Albertans to achieve their full potential and to foster a superior quality of life for Albertans.

**Objective 3:** To ensure a sufficient supply of human capital to meet Alberta's economic growth.

**Objective 4:** To ensure sustainability and innovation within the learning system.

Objective 3 was previously included in the cross-ministry Economic Development Strategy.

In support of objective 3, the cross-ministry Labour Force Planning Committee, chaired by AHRE, developed and implemented the Government of Alberta's labour supply strategy outlined in *Prepared for Growth: Building Alberta's Labour Supply*. The labour supply strategy identified a three-pronged approach to ensure a sufficient supply of skilled workers:

1. Increase the skill and knowledge levels of Albertans
2. Increase the mobility of labour in Canada
3. Increase the number of immigrants to Alberta.

For an electronic copy of the *Prepared for Growth: Building Alberta's Labour Supply* strategy and *Report to Albertans* on implementation of this strategy please visit: [www.gov.ab.ca/hre/lmi/lmstrategy.asp](http://www.gov.ab.ca/hre/lmi/lmstrategy.asp).