

BUDGET 2018 AND HEALTH

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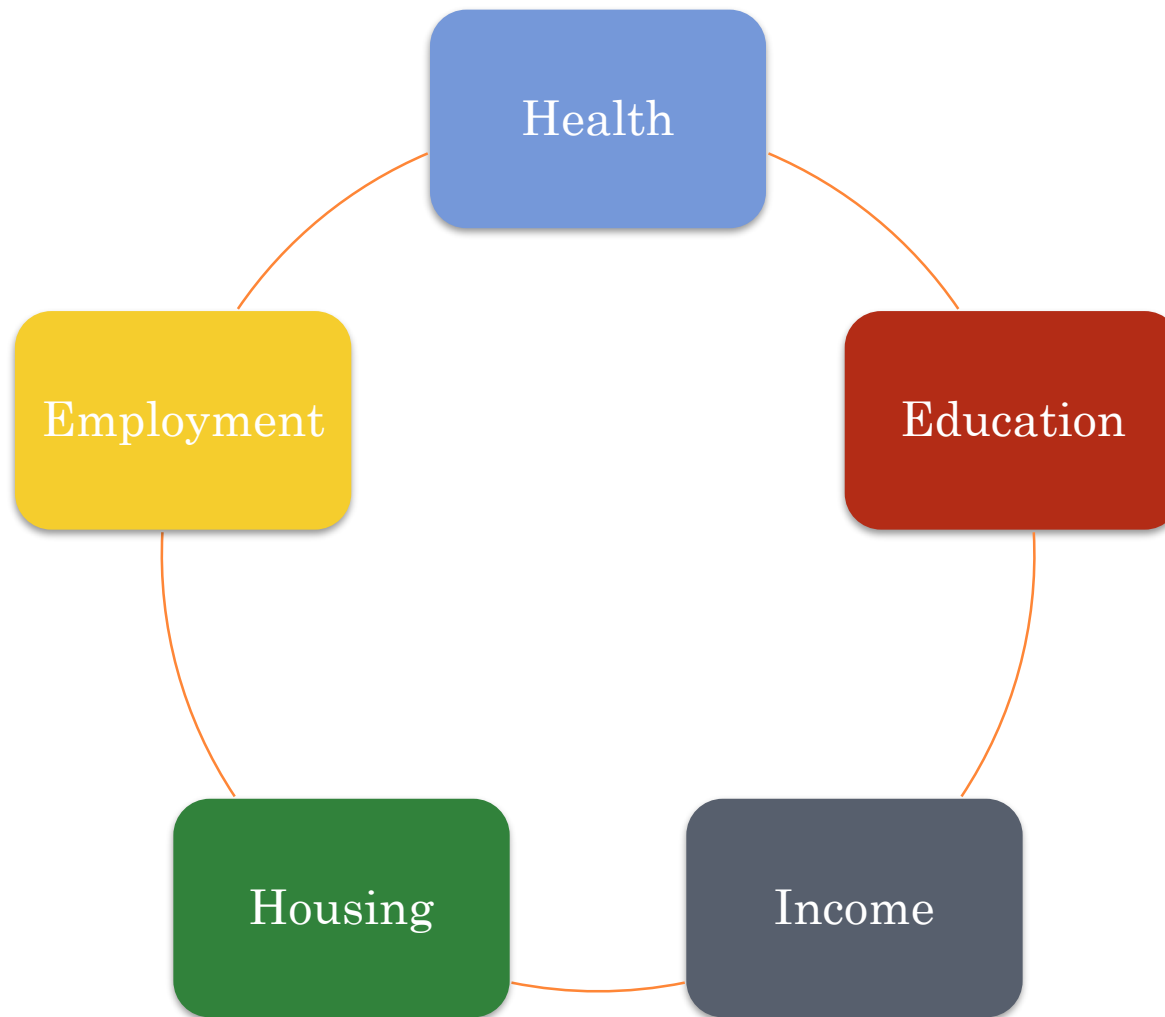
Recap: Budget 2018 - Health wins, \$3.1b surplus



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KEY CHANGES

○ Health

- Free GP visits for all children U 14
- Expanding school- based health services to decile 4 schools
- GP service price reduction for Community Service Card holders



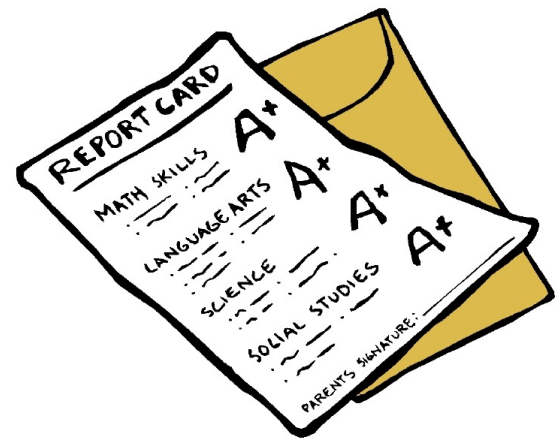
KEY CHANGES

○ Education

- Increase ECE enrollment
- \$284 m over 4 years to support learning tools and support

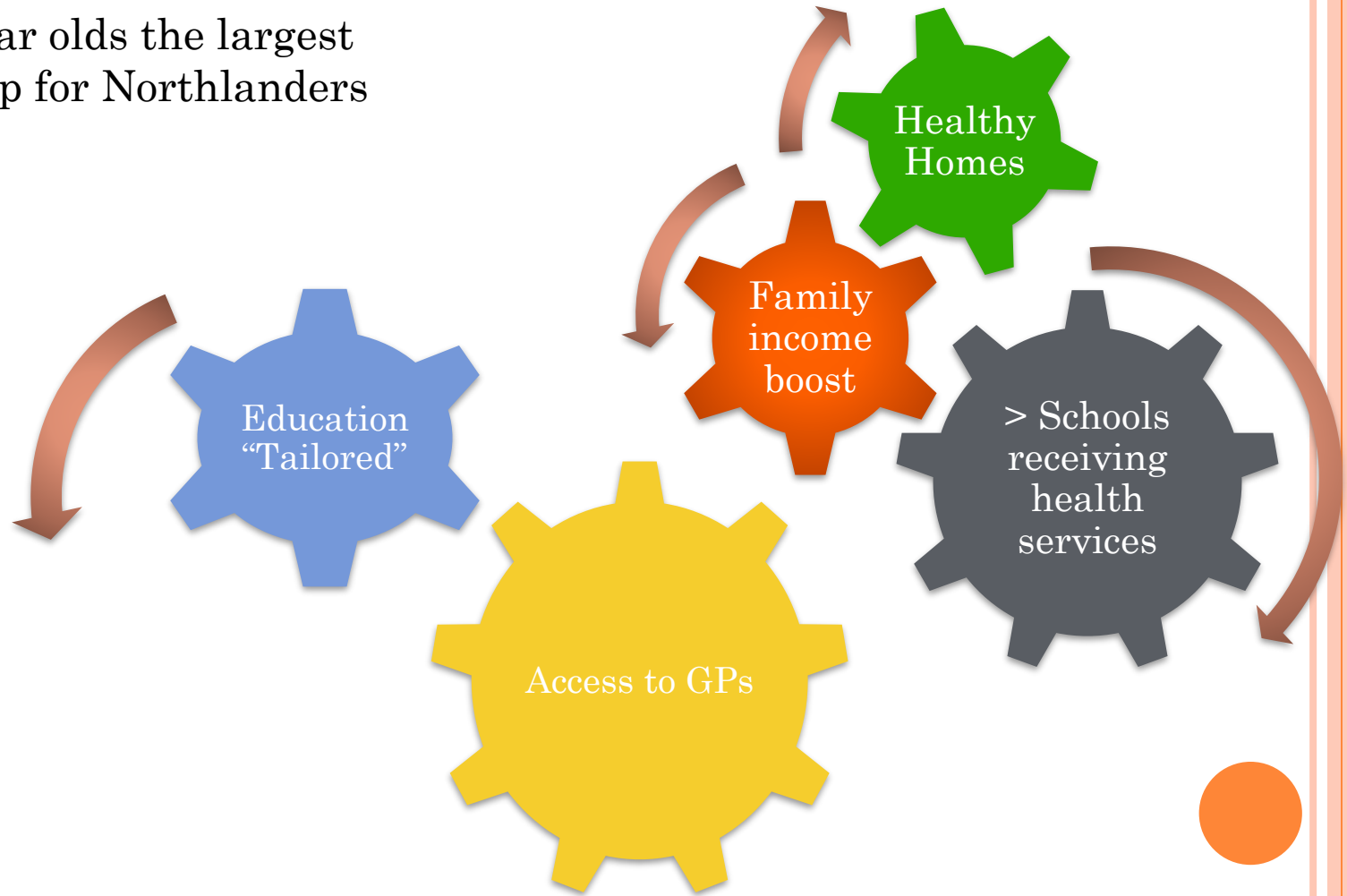
○ Housing

- Grant for home insulation
- Increase in number of public houses



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SO WHAT FOR NUTRITION AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY?

- No direct investments into nutrition or physical activity initiatives
- A holistic view of the budget suggest linkages done well could impact on nutrition and p/a outcomes

