

ONTARIO AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES

NETWORK EXCHANGE



DECEMBER 2017

Hello,

The year 2017 is coming to an end, but has provided a tremendous amount of prospects to look forward to for the year 2018.

Perhaps most exciting is an opportunities for communities to be recognized for their efforts via the Ontario Age-Friendly Community Recognition Program .

In addition, if your community has an innovative, age-friendly program idea needing some funds to get it off the ground, consider applying for the Health and Well-Being Grant Program, Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Fund, Community Transportation Grant, EnAbling Change Program, or Ontario Trillium Foundation Seed Grants .

Happy reading, and Happy Holidays.

Kind regards,

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Spotlight

In the News

- [Aging with Confidence: Ontario's Action Plan for Seniors](#)
- [Age-Friendly Communities Recognition Program](#)
- [Age-Friendly workplaces could make people healthier in later life](#)
- [Movie Memories: Glasgow Film Theatre launches dementia friendly screenings](#)
- [Seniors in Emerging Markets Represent Huge Opportunity for Innovative Entrepreneurs](#)
- [Walking for the health of it](#)
- [Affordable seniors housing coming to Pelham](#)
- [Perth County council backs Alzheimer Society's Dementia Friendly Communities Program](#)
- [Trent researchers to receive \\$782k in funding](#)
- [No surprises found in age-friendly plan results](#)
- [Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Fund](#)
- [Health and Well-Being Grant Program \(MOHLTC\)](#)
- [National Housing Strategy: news release and website](#)
- [Census: Working seniors in Canada \(Statistics Canada\)](#)

Upcoming Events

- March 1-4, 2018 - [AGHE The Global Business of Aging Annual Meeting and Educational](#)

[Leadership Conference](#) [Atlanta, Georgia]

- March 13-14, 2018 - [New Frontiers on Aging: Research, Policy, and Practice](#) [Conference, Ireland]
- August 8-10, 2018 - [International Federation on Aging 14th Global Conference: Towards a Decade of Healthy Ageing - From Evidence to Action](#) [Toronto]

Resources

General Resources

- [Journal Article] [Creating Age-Friendly Health Systems \(IHI\)](#)
- [Website] [Information for seniors: Resources to stay independent, healthy and active](#)
- [Resource] [Sudbury Seniors' Council AFC Assessment Results](#)
- [Resource] [Rural Ontario Foresight Papers: Rural Volunteerism](#)
- [Research] [Developing Age-Friendly Cities: an Evidence-Based Evaluation Tool](#)
- [Resource] [Re-shaping the housing market for aging in place and home modifications](#)
- [Resource] [Temiskaming Shores: Community Guide - Services for Older Adults](#)
- [Resource] [Seniors' Guidebook to Safety and Security ENG and FRE](#)
- [Website] [Age-Friendly Communities Provincial Website](#)

Announcements

Funding Announcements

- [Health and Well-Being \(HWB\) Grant Program](#) [Deadline December 15 2017]
- [EnAbling Change Program 2018-2019](#) [Deadline December 15 2017]
- [Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Fund](#) [Deadline January 16, 2018]
- [Ontario Age-Friendly Community Recognition Program](#) [Deadline February 2 2018]
- [Ontario Trillium Foundation Seed Grants](#) [Deadline February 21 2018]
- [Community Transportation Grant Program](#) [Deadline February 28 2018]
- [SEED Funding for Affordable Housing](#) [currently accepting proposals]
- [Affordable Rental Innovation Fund](#) [currently accepting proposal]

General Announcements

- [Canadian Entrepreneurs 50+ Survey \(English\)](#)
The Centre for Elder Research, Sheridan College, Oakville, Ontario is conducting a nation-wide study to learn more about new and established Canadian entrepreneurs age 50+ as well as those individuals 50+ who are actively pursuing a defined business idea. Please share within your own networks. [French Survey Link.](#)
- [IFA 2018 Conference](#) Call for Volunteers: an opportunity to expand your networks and receive complimentary attendance to a select number of sessions.
- [It's that time of the year again...time to prepare for the winter season.](#)
[TransCare](#) is a community support service based out of Toronto, Ontario. The organization matches young adults with seniors who are in need of assistance with household tasks, including leaf raking, gardening, and snow removal.
- [Planning Livable Communities for ALL Ages](#) An international coalition of planners, led by the APA and AARP, has launched a conversation on how to best advance planning for ALL ages.

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To stay 'in the know' about new AFC resources, upcoming webinars and community profiles....

- Join our provincial AFC [Distribution List](#)
- Contact [Sarah Webster](#), the Ontario AFC Knowledge Broker
- Visit the AFC [English](#) or [French](#) Website

Age-Friendly Community Outreach Program Background

The [Ministry of Seniors Affairs](#) has partnered with the University of Waterloo, Queen's University, Huntington/Laurentian University, the Ontario Interdisciplinary Council for Aging and Health (OICAH), and the Seniors Health Knowledge Network (SHKN) to administer the Age-Friendly Community (AFC) Outreach Program. This program is designed to help communities, including AFC Planning Grant recipients:

- increase awareness of age-friendly planning principles,
- share best practices,
- and start, continue, evaluate and improve on their AFC action plans.

The AFC Outreach Program builds on and complements the [AFC Planning Guide](#) and the [AFC Planning Grant Program](#).

The program aims to increase awareness about AFCs connectivity within and between AFCs, and capacity for local planning and implementation.

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