

# **Seniors Age-Friendly Strategy**

Calgary is an age-friendly city where all people have lifelong opportunities to thrive.

- An age-friendly city is one where all older adults can be full and meaningful participants in their community.
- Age-friendly initiatives are based on person-centered principles, and are accessible, affordable, equitable, and comprehensive. Age-friendly initiatives are inclusive of the diversity of the aging population, including age, family status, culture, mobility, ethnicity, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, belief systems, socio-economic status, and language.
- An age-friendly city is responsive to the needs of older adults who are vulnerable.
- Age-friendly initiatives will be based on best available information, will nurture innovation, and will be evaluated for their effectiveness.
- Older people are actively involved in the creation, implementation, and evaluation of an age-friendly city.
- Age-Friendly Calgary will focus on the strengths and opportunities presented by an aging population and will highlight the importance of choice for members of the aging population.
- Age-Friendly Calgary includes collaborative partnerships with the public, private, and non-profit sectors.
- Age-Friendly Calgary recognizes that older adults contribute to the community in many ways.

The City of Calgary and partner organizations are collectively accountable to achieve the goals of the Seniors Age-Friendly Strategy.



# **Six Priority Areas**



#### **Access to information and services**

Older adults have access to information and services.



#### **Transportation and mobility**

 Calgarians are able to freely move throughout the city as they age.



### Housing

- Older adults live in homes that meet their accessibility needs.
- Older adults have a range of housing options in their local area.
- Older adults live in homes that they can afford.
- Older adults live in homes that are close to services that they need.



#### **Community support and health**

- Older adults are able to choose to stay in their home as they age, and as their health, safety, and safety of the community permits.
- Older adults are safe from preventable injury in their homes.



#### **Prevention & response to elder abuse**

• Older adults are safe from abuse and neglect.



## **Participation and inclusion**

- Older adults feel welcomed and valued in Calgary.
- Older adults contribute to the well-being of the community.
- Older adults are socially, physically and intellectually active.
- Older adults who want to, or need to, work are employed.