



Age-Friendly Calgary

Calgary's population is aging. To prepare for this demographic change, The City of Calgary partnered with older Calgarians, other levels of government, and members of the health, post-secondary, non-profit, and private sectors to develop a community-wide plan. The **Seniors Age-Friendly Strategy** was approved by Calgary City Council in June 2015.

The Seniors Age-Friendly Strategy identifies six local priority areas:

- **Access to information and services**
- **Community support and health**
- **Housing**
- **Participation and inclusion**
- **Prevention of and response to elder abuse**
- **Transportation and mobility**

Everyone has a part to play in helping make age-friendly communities. What can you do to help make Calgary a great place to live as we age?

Housing

What is the focus:

All housing providers have a role to play in preparing for an aging population. An age-friendly city has affordable, accessible housing options that allow access to amenities.

What we want to see:

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

What we are doing:

- Raising awareness about the need for accessible housing
- Fostering efforts to increase the accessible housing supply
- Supporting policy changes and initiatives to increase the affordable housing supply through the Community Affordable Housing Strategy
- Improving access to programs and services assisting with the costs affecting housing affordability
- Supporting the development of age-friendly housing options
- Assisting with the navigation of the housing system
- Facilitating the development of innovative housing options
- Supporting the implementation of the Municipal Development Plan's vision for creating complete communities
- Encouraging the development of age-friendly neighbourhoods and businesses

What you can do:

Identify ways that your organization or business can contribute to creating an Age-Friendly Calgary. **Visit Calgary.ca/agefriendly to download the Seniors Age-Friendly Strategy and Implementation Plan 2015-2018 or call 311 to connect with current initiatives in the area of Prevention and Response to Elder Abuse.**