

#### **Action Plan 2021-2031**

Envisioning a safe, welcoming, and inclusive community that celebrates the diverse needs of all residents, regardless of age.





# Purpose of the Age-Friendly Caledon Update

- Provide an overview of what is Age-Friendly Communities and educate Council on the Age-Friendly Caledon Action Plan.
- Provide an update of the 2022 successes and 2023 goals of the plan.
- Advocate for ongoing support in bringing awareness to the AFC plan and various initiatives supporting residents in the community.





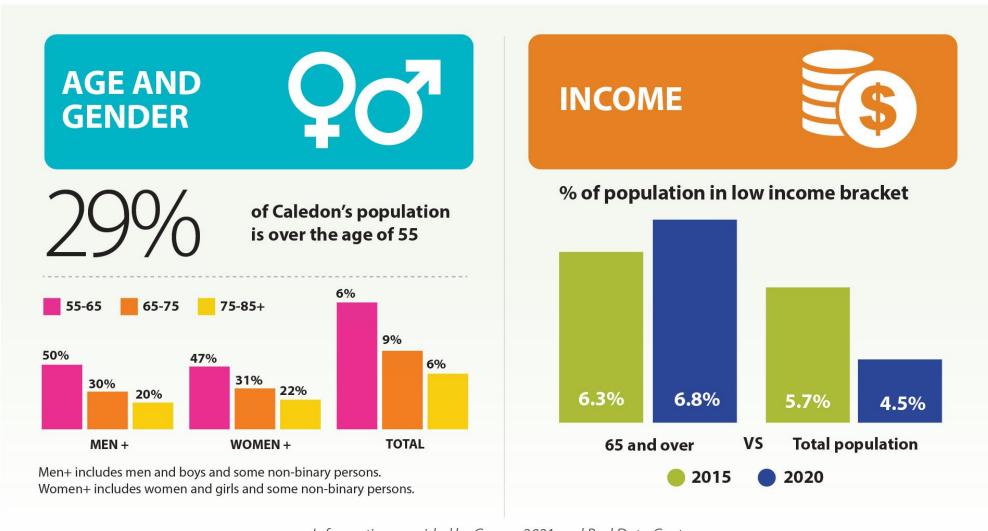
## Preparing for an Ageing Population

- The number of Older Adults (age 55+) in Canada now exceeds the number of yout
- Municipal governments play a critical rol the health and well-being of their resider Residents depend on their local governments to provide vital programs, services and spaces that are accessible, inclusive, safe and adaptive to the needs all residents.





### Caledon 55+ Statistics







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**HOUSING** 



44,165

families with in the Region of Peel are living in multi-generational housing.

75%

of Caledon residents aged 85+ own and live in their own homes. LANGUAGE AND CULTURE



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#### Top languages spoken in Caledon:

- •ltalian
- •English
- •Punjabi
- •Hindi

Most represented religions in Caledon:

- Sikh
- Christian
- •Hindu
- Muslim

Information provided by Census 2021 and Peel Data Center



## What is Age-Friendly?

- The Age-Friendly Communities movements was developed by the World Health Organization (WHO) through their <u>Global Age-Friendly Cities: A Guide</u> to encourage active ageing by increasing opportunities for health, participation and security to enhance quality of life as people age.
- The <u>Creating a more inclusive Ontario: age-friendly community planning guide</u> <u>for municipalities and community organizations</u> provides communities across the province with the tools required to implement the dimensions and key action items as outlined by the WHO.







# Age-Friendly communities focus their efforts on policies and programs that support EIGHT (8) Community Dimensions



Adapted from the World Health Organization



## **AFC PRIORITIES**

#### The Town of Caledon will:



#### HOUSING

Advance policies and programs that expedite a full range of **affordable housing options** suitable to the needs of Older Adults across Caledon.



#### **MOBILITY**

Advance policies and innovative funding partnerships that enable more transportation and mobility options for Older Adults throughout Caledon.



#### **COMMUNICATION**

Deliver robust communication and partnership materials that promote awareness and engagement in community programs, events and services among Older Adults.





## COMMUNITY & HEALTH SUPPORTS

Support and promote the expansion of Community Support & Health Services that deliver critical programs to Older Adults, as well as their caregivers.



## **AFC PRIORITIES**

#### The Town of Caledon will:



## RESPECT & INCLUSION

Ensure that residents are respected and included in the decision-making process, and that their insights are valued.



#### **PARTICIPATION**

Build, support and advocate for local programs that promote **social participation** with an emphasis on health, friendship, environmental stewardship and lifelong learning.



## SAFETY & ACCESSIBILITY

Remove barriers
and impediments
that limit the use of
Outdoor Spaces and
Public Buildings for
residents with
mobility challenges
or safety concerns.



## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Provide resources and supports that connect Older Adults with meaningful volunteer and employment options in Caledon.



# Progress to Date

Overview of some of the key success of the last two years of the AFC Action Plan development.

#### Ongoing Community Engagement, Networks, Partnerships and Support.





















Healthy aging for all

Council on Aging







## Age-Friendly Community Profile – Caledon

HOME HEALTH CARE RESEARCH & INNOVATION KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE EDUCATION AFC PARTNERSHIPS ABOUT US

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#### ONTARIO AFC OUTREACH PROGRAM

What is an AFC?

Ontario AFC Planning Guide

AFCIs in Ontario

Interactive Maps

**AFC Resources** 

AFC Knowledge Exchange

AFC Webinars

#### Caledon, Town of

AFC Communities - West, Age-Friendly Communities, Age-Friendly Communities Outreach

#### COMMUNITY PROFILE

#### Name of Committee:

Age-Friendly Task Force - Committee of Council (Council to be elected end of 2022 for start of 4 year term in 2023)

#### Population:

- Est. 2022 population: 87,000
- 2021 Population 76,581 (as per 2021 census)
- Forecasted to reach over 108,000 by 2031
- Est. 30% of the total population will be over the age of 55 by 2031

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#### Funding

Municipal Core Funding

**Grant Funding** 

This profile was updated in October 2022.



## New Horizons for Seniors Grant 2022-2023

- Seniors Month Supports
- Free 55+ fitness programs
- New 55+ fitness equipment
- Let's Talk Caledon Educational Program
- Health and Wellness Ambassador Volunteer Program

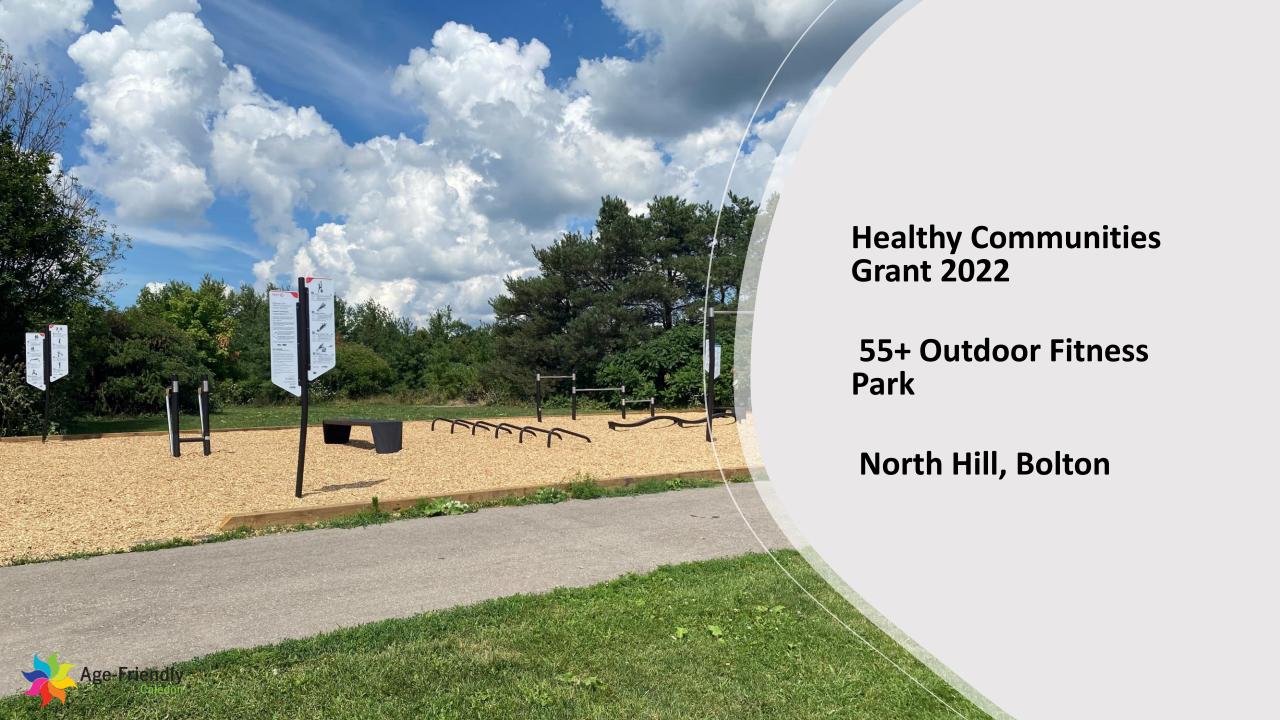












Supported the Active Transportation
Master Plan Outreach and Development
to encourage safe, comfortable,
connected communities for older
residents.



Partnered with Caledon Community Services to support increased transportation options to residents.

Ongoing promotion of the Town's Age-Friendly Transportation Resource Guide.





## Snow Removal Financial Assistance Program





Development and Launch of the Snow Removal Financial Assistance Program







Formalized Senior of the Year Process for annual nominations and recognition of outstanding residents aged 65+ in Caledon.



# Moving Forward to 2023



The Town's Application to the Global Network for Age-Friendly Cities and Communities - World Health Organization (WHO).



Ongoing promotion of existing services and supports to ensure residents are able to age well and age in place in their existing homes.

Advocate and work with Town/Regional staff for affordable housing options for residents to "right size" in the Town of Caledon.



Ongoing promotion of existing transportation services and supports to ensure residents are able to age well and age in place in their existing homes.





Received financial support to develop an Age-Friendly Printed Guidebook and updated online resources for 55+ community.

Continue to build on the Age-Friendly Caledon eNewsletter content and subscribers.

Build on awareness of Age-Friendly initiatives in proposed TV segment series.







Older Adult Home Safety Program in partnership with the Caledon Fire & Emergency Services

Project funded by the Government of Ontario











Work with community partners and existing supports to increase coordination and awareness of Caregiver resources and supports for unpaid caregivers in the Caledon community.













As a new partner with the Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario Network, work to increased Elder Abuse Prevention Education and Awareness throughout the community.







Caledon Seniors Centre – Links2Wellbeing Social Prescribing Program

Supporting the development and implementation of this program to encourage increased social connections of residents 55+





Snow Removal Financial Assistance Program – Year 2

Continued expansion and promotion of the program and additional resources to support residents living in their own homes with snow removal supports.







Continue to promote and increase outreach/engagement of the Age-Friendly Action Plan initiatives with the Health and Wellness Ambassador Volunteers.

#### Outreach to date:

- Mayfield Senior Building Safety Expo Peel Living Building
- Community Corners at Southfield and Albion Bolton Library Branches
- Caledon Seniors Centre Classic Café
- Additional Peel Living Building Safety Sessions





