

Age Friendly Windsor Network – A History

- 2010 – application to the New Horizons for Seniors grant program to publish a thorough and detailed Windsor Seniors Report and Service Plan, entailing the results of a Town Hall meeting, Focus Groups, a Senior-needs Study, and Age-Friendly Forum.
- May 11, 2011 - the Social Development, Health and Culture Standing Committee received a presentation from the Seniors Advisory Committee (SAC) on the Age-friendly Cities project
- Age-friendly Windsor Stakeholder Consultation Sessions November 15 & 16, 2011.
- Upon receipt of a grant from the New Horizons for Seniors Program, the Seniors Advisory Committee (SAC) and the Recreation Department completed Phase I of the project consisting of a baseline assessment of the city based on the 8 essential features of Age-friendly Cities identified by the WHO.
- August 7, 2012 – City Council endorsed the subsequent report *Age - Friendly Windsor Report to the Community - Environmental Scan of Age-friendliness*. The City of Windsor received notification of its acceptance into the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age - Friendly Cities[®] on June 29, 2012.
- The Age - Friendly Windsor Network, comprised of approximately 40 representatives from various community stakeholder groups, was established and met regularly.
- The Network is a subcommittee of SAC and reports to them at their quarterly meetings. Initiatives are reported to City Council through the Social Development, Health and Culture (SDHC) Standing Committee.
- October 9, 2013 - The *Livability, Lifestyles and Well-being - 2nd Report to the Community 2014-2017 Action Plan* was presented to the SDHC Standing Committee and adopted by City Council on January 6, 2014. Action items which fall under the City to be addressed through the budget process.
- July 2017 – The *Age-Friendly Windsor Final Report - Livability, Lifestyles and Well-being, 3rd Report to the Community 2014-2017* was approved by City Council. A letter of support for the Age-Friendly initiative was submitted by the Mayor to the World Health Organization
- A commitment was made by the Seniors Advisory Committee to develop a new plan of action (duration of up to 5 years) and submit it, along with associated indicators, to the World Health Organization's Network of Age-Friendly Cities for the second implementation period (5 year planning cycle).