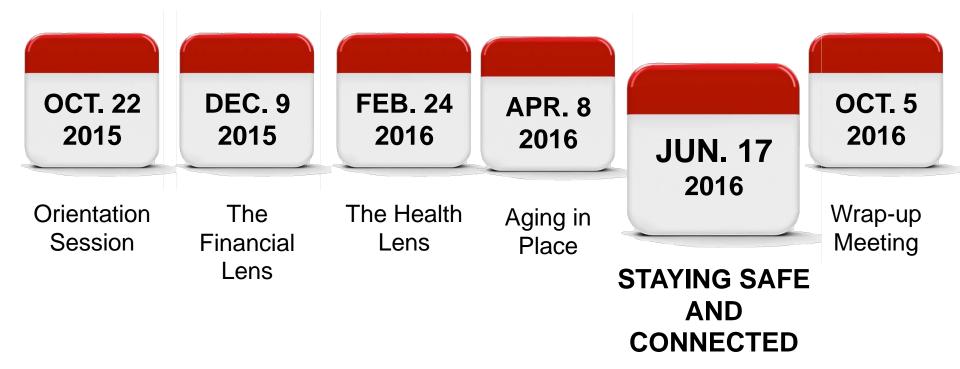


#### Staying Safe and Connected B.1 Re-cap and Context Setting

Presentation to Seniors Strategy Advisory Task Force

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#### **Meetings at a Glance**



### **Overview of Government Funded Services for Seniors – A York Region Perspective**

# Service System Map



Broad Policy and Finances

**Health Care** 



Housing and Transportation



Staying Safe and Connected



### **Today's Meeting**

- **1. Opening Remarks** 
  - Re-Cap Last Meeting, Emerging Action and Advocacy Items
- 2. Presentations and Discussion

#### **What We Heard**



### **Potential Emerging Action Areas**

Task Force Principles	Action Area	
Evidence Based Decision Making	<ul> <li>Capacity Planning: At a system level, develop an understanding of the demand for seniors services in York Region and the capacity to provide those services to:</li> <li>Improve access to services by the right providers at the right times</li> <li>Make targeted, evidence-based investments in key areas through shifts in funding.</li> </ul>	
Partnerships, Alignment, Collaboration	<ul> <li>Coordinate and Connect Discussions (Planning Together)</li> <li>Transit providers for seniors (MOHLTC, MTO)</li> <li>York University – Fear of Falling Research</li> <li>Federation of Canadian Municipalities (add seniors to agenda)</li> <li>Association of Municipalities of Ontario (add seniors to agenda)</li> <li>National Institute on Aging – Ryerson (GTA Network)</li> <li>Local municipalities</li> </ul>	
Partnerships, Alignment, Collaboration	Explore Age Friendly Communities Concept	
Partnerships, Alignment, Collaboration	Better Integrated Services         Develop Senior Hub Model (s) (Unionville, Woodbridge, SE Community         Centre, EG Project)         • Re-design the service delivery system with hub models         • Convene discussion look at seniors needs holistically         Co- location of services         • I.e. partner with the local municipalities , identify commercial opportunities , co-locate Region services	
Partnerships, Alignment, Collaboration	<ul> <li>Build a variety of home options in the same neighbourhood as we accommodate growth</li> <li>Build near amenities, Add services to arterial roads</li> <li>Influence design of new built homes – include caregiver room, universal design</li> <li>Reduce complexities and costs associated with second suites 6</li> <li>Leverage Inclusionary zoning</li> </ul>	

### **Potential Emerging** *Action* **Areas**

Task Force Principles	Action Area
Education	<ul><li>Staff Training</li><li>To enable staff to support senior's changing needs</li></ul>
Education	<ul> <li>Increase Awareness of Services for Seniors</li> <li>Systems are easy to navigate, information coordination</li> <li>Identify how we can help seniors navigate the system i.e. re-focus wait lists</li> </ul>
Education	<ul> <li>Communication Campaign</li> <li>Raise awareness of need for building affordable housing in established neighbourhoods</li> <li>Raise awareness for the need to financially plan for retirement</li> <li>Raise awareness around financial sustainability, i.e. intergenerational equity and ability to pay</li> </ul>
Prevention	<ul> <li>Expanding Prevention Programs</li> <li>I.e. Community Paramedicine, Public Health</li> </ul>
Response Based on Financial Need and Ability to Pay	<ul> <li>Develop new eligibility models – Ability to Pay Model (s)</li> <li>Definition of senior</li> <li>Based on income and assets</li> <li>Review Housing Services Home Repair Program – i.e. distribute funds by securing future re-payment through available assets- i.e. registering a lien on property</li> <li>Explore new rent models, blended income models</li> </ul>

#### **Potential Emerging Advocacy Areas**

Task Force Principles	Advocacy Area	Linkages
Evidence -Based Decision Making	<ul> <li>Capacity Planning for Long Term Care Beds</li> <li>in Ontario</li> <li>Determine the amount of resources required including the number of beds, location, type</li> </ul>	Provincial Government Central LHIN
Prevention	Expanding Public Health Mandate for Seniors Promoting healthy aging Prevention opportunities	Public Health Agency of Canada Provincial Government Central LHIN
Prevention	<ul> <li>Funding for Home and</li> <li>Community Care Supports</li> <li>Unionville hub model</li> <li>Coordinated support services to age in place for HYI Seniors Buildings</li> </ul>	Federal Government Provincial Government Central LHIN
Fiscal Sustainability and Balance	Infrastructure Funding for Housing Services and Additional Affordable Options Link to social housing Affordable housing options Make Rental Happen	Federal Government Provincial Government Human Services Planning Board
Response Based on Financial Need and Ability to Pay	<ul> <li>Pension Reform</li> <li>OAS, CPP Supplement</li> </ul>	Federal Government

### **Linkages to Other Council Reports**

REPORTS TO COUNCIL	CONNECTIONS BETWEEN REPORTS	LINKAGES TO SENIORS STRATEGY THEMES AND PRINCIPLES
TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN (June 2016) <i>Transportation Services</i>	<ul> <li>Viewing "mobility as a service". Creating a customer- centred experience with more door-to-door service.</li> <li>Focusing on the "last mile". Offering safe and accessible connections to transit stops for pedestrians and cyclists.</li> <li>Developing "street-scaping standards for Regional roads.</li> <li>Promoting active transportation choices to assist in creating active lifestyles that contribute to the health of residents.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Task Force themes:</li> <li>Staying safe and connected</li> <li>Guiding Principles:</li> <li>Evidence-based decision-making</li> </ul>
YORK REGION HOUSING INCENTIVES STUDY (October 2016) <i>Community and Health</i> <i>Services</i>	• Study to identify types of incentives the Region and local municipalities could offer to support the supply and affordability of housing. This report will assess the viability of affordable housing development from a developer's perspective on 3 hypothetical sites throughout York Region.	<ul> <li>Task Force meeting themes:</li> <li>Aging in place</li> <li>Guiding principles:</li> <li>Partnerships, alignment and collaboration</li> </ul>
LOCATIONAL MODEL (October 2016) <i>Community and Health</i> <i>Services</i>	<ul> <li>The Region is developing a Locational Model to inform future housing investment decisions.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Task Force themes:</li> <li>Aging in place.</li> <li>Guiding principle :</li> <li>Evidence based decision-making</li> </ul>

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TRANSIT FARE STRATEGY (November 2016) <i>Transportation Services</i>	<ul> <li>YRT/Viva is in the process of developing a fare and Ridership Strategy. As part of strategy development, staff will address issues such as customers' ability to pay.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Task Force meeting themes:</li> <li>The financial lens</li> <li>Staying safe and connected</li> <li>Guiding principles:</li> <li>Financial need and ability to pay</li> <li>Balance and fiscal sustainability</li> </ul>
Mental Health Matters (November 2016) Community and Health Services working with YRP and other partners	<ul> <li>York Region Community and Health Services is working with York Regional Police and other partners to address mental health issues holistically and build our capacity in:         <ul> <li>Building resilience and preventing mental health issues within our communities</li> <li>Providing ongoing supports to those living with a mental illness that need intensive case management and wrap around supports</li> <li>Providing effective crisis intervention</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Task Force meeting themes:</li> <li>The health lens</li> <li>Guiding principles:</li> <li>Prevention</li> <li>Education</li> </ul>
YORK REGION OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW (Date TBD) Planning and Economic Development	<ul> <li>Giving direction on building complete communities, which includes a range of housing options, compact, mixed development and connectivity, mobility and accessibility.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Task Force themes:</li> <li>Aging in place</li> <li>Guiding Principles:</li> <li>Partnerships, alignment, collaboration</li> </ul>

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INCOME AND ASSET POLICIES FOR RENT SUBSIDIES (2017 TBD) Community and Health Services	<ul> <li>Consideration of both income and assets when determining whether and how much an individual gets re. rent subsidies.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Task Force meeting themes:</li> <li>The financial lens</li> <li>Guiding principles:</li> <li>Financial need and ability to pay</li> <li>Balance and fiscal sustainability</li> </ul>
HEALTHY BUILT ENVIRONMENT/ BUILDING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES (2017 TBD) Joint report – Community and Health Services/ Planning and Economic Development	<ul> <li>Identifying strategies and mechanisms to plan communities that support health</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Task Force meeting themes:</li> <li>Aging in place</li> <li>Guiding principles:</li> <li>Partnerships, alignment and collaboration</li> </ul>
DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION CHARTER AND POLICY (June 2017) Community and Health Services	• Developing a Diversity and Inclusion Policy and Charter to help create a more inclusive workplace and community. The internal Policy and external Charter will embrace the many dimensions of diversity that define us, such culture, religion, abilities, gender, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity and age, including seniors.	<ul> <li>Task Force meeting themes:</li> <li>Staying safe and connected</li> <li>Guiding principles:</li> <li>Partnerships, Alignment and collaboration</li> </ul>

### **Staying Safe & Connected**

- If you create a great city for an 8 year old and an 80 year old, you will create a successful city for all people
- Bringing citizens together to enhance mobility and public spaces so that together we can create more vibrant, healthy, and equitable and connected communities
- Focus on the design and use of parks and streets as great public places, as well as sustainable mobility: walking, riding bicycles, using public transit, and the new use of cars

#### **Our Quest**

What is York Region's role in serving seniors over the next 10 to 20 years – making the best use of resources, managing expectations, leveraging partnerships and responding to provincial direction?

