



The Toronto Seniors Strategy



Community Development and Recreation Committee

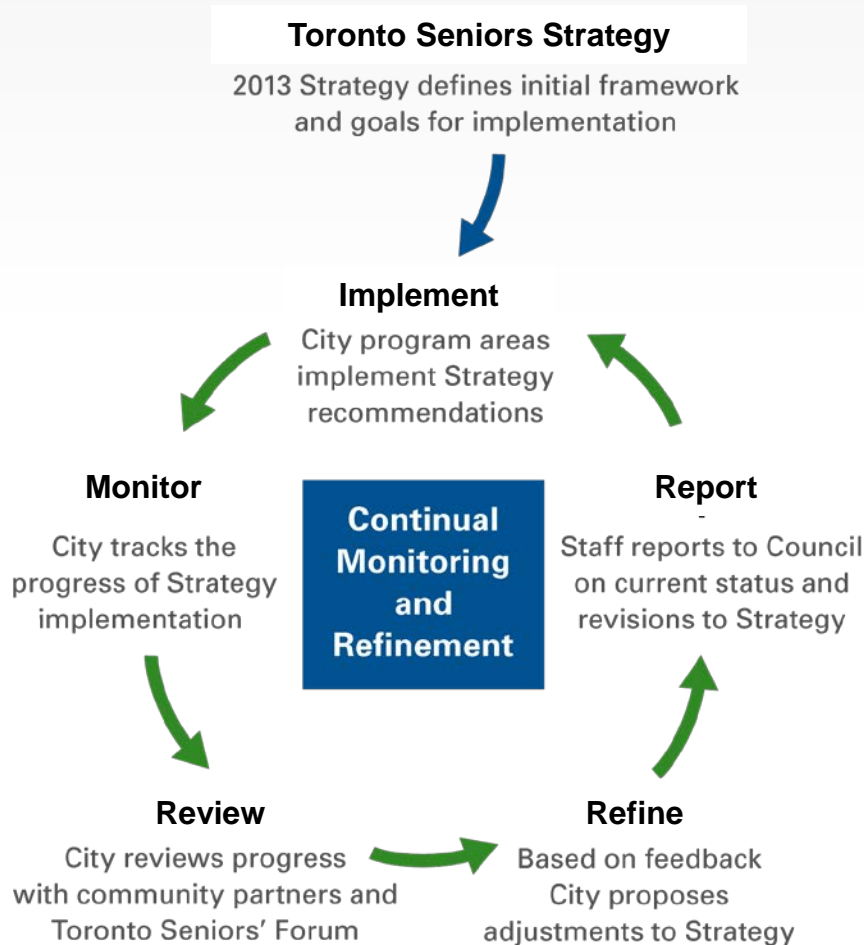
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- Implementing the Strategy
- Key Highlights
- Challenges
- Plan for 2016

Accountability is Embedded

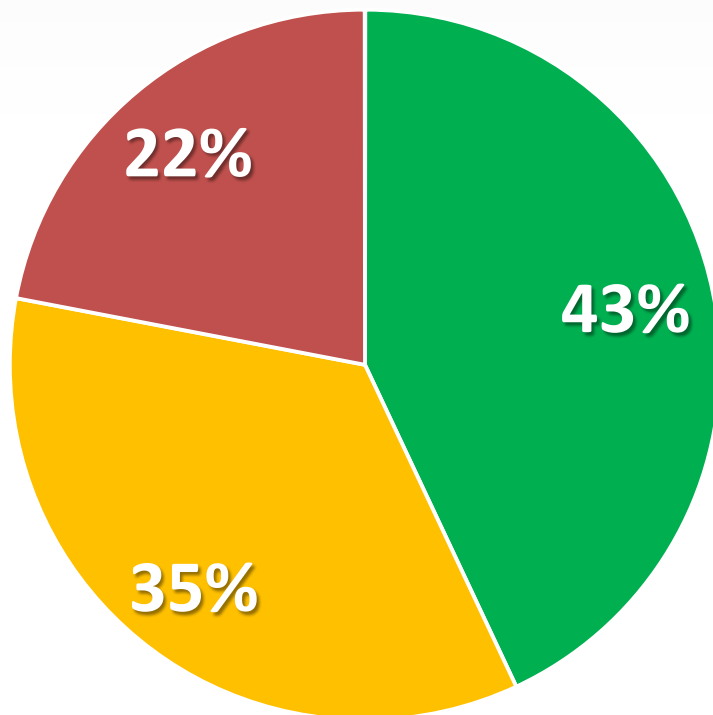


- Accountability Table of 20+ aging experts and older Torontonians
- Provide advice, assistance and support on the Strategy to staff from 19 City program areas

Progress on Actions

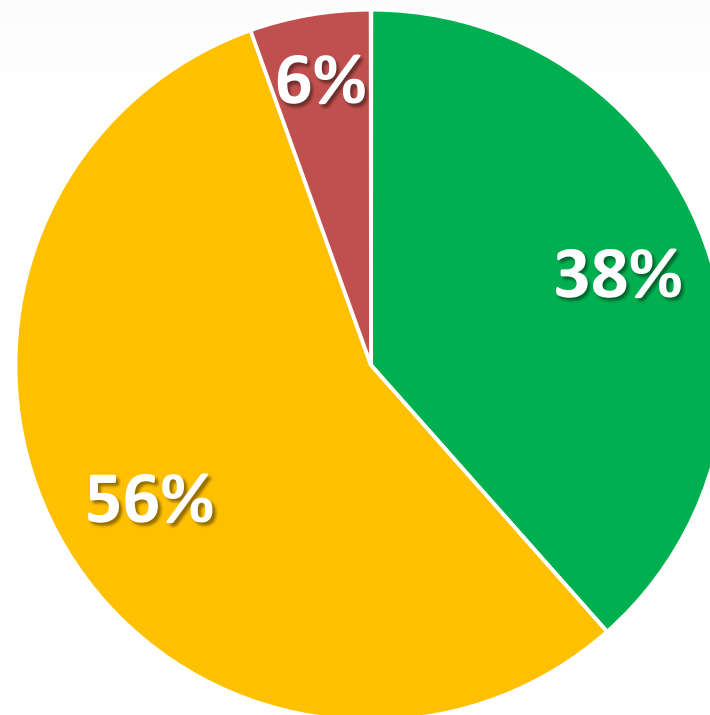


Recommendations in
Previous Toronto Strategies
(1999-2010)



■ Fully ■ Partially ■ Not

Recommended actions in the
Toronto Seniors Strategy
(2013-2015)



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WHO Age-Friendly Domains

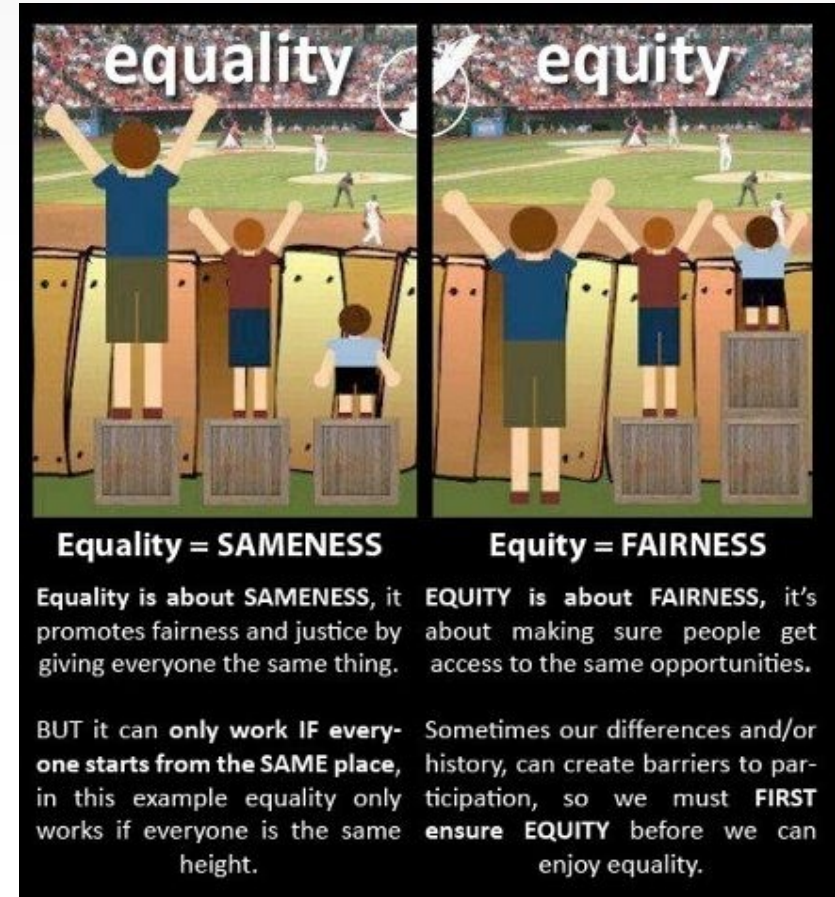


- 1** Respect & Social Inclusion
- 2** Civic Engagement, Volunteering & Employment
- 3** Social Participation
- 4** Community Support & Health Services
- 5** Housing
- 6** Transportation
- 7** Outdoor Spaces & Buildings
- 8** Communications & Information

1. Respect and Social Inclusion



- A 'Guide to Good Practice' new vulnerability training for City staff in 2014 (3b)
- Covers communicating with vulnerable adults, recognizing barriers, and collaborating with community groups and other Divisions to provide supports



2. Civic Engagement, Volunteering & Employment



New
employment
event for older
Torontonians
seeking
employment
during
Workforce
Development
Month in 2015
(7a)



3. Social Participation



- Five long-term care homes will be re-developed to include other City services as well as community-provided services (8a)



4. Community Support and Health Services



- 10 per cent more home visits by Community Paramedics (11g)
- Reduces pressure on 911 system
- Sought and received \$420K in funding for 3 Community Paramedics from MOHLTC (11h)



5. Housing



- In 2014, 1,750 affordable housing units were secured or replaced (14f)
- In 2015, \$2.7M in federal/provincial funds were directed to 223 seniors/disabled households to do home repairs allowing them to age in place and retain their independence (15a)



6. Transportation



- Road Safety Review at Bayview and Finch to create more space for pedestrians while waiting to cross (20b)
- Reduced need for two-stage crossing (19d)
- Installed accessible pedestrian signals (19c)



7. Outdoor Spaces



- 500+ new benches around residences for older Torontonians (21a) & 512 new benches in City parks
- Larger print signs at intersections (21e)



8. Communication and Information



- Increased access to information for vulnerable seniors and their caregivers (14c)
- Promotes ability to remain stably housed and age in place





1. Internal Seniors Guide for Police (2b)
2. Work with school boards to create intergenerational programming (4b)
3. Expanded access to free dental care for eligible seniors (12b)
4. Expanded Snow Shovelling Services for seniors (21j)
5. Guidebook for Seniors to Promote Safe and Secure Community Living (22d)



- Finish implementing the outstanding recommended actions from the 2013 Toronto Seniors Strategy
- In partnership with the Accountability Table, develop a Seniors Strategy 2.0

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