

# Mayor and Council's Roundtable On Seniors' Issues

Term in Review



# Improved Quality of Life

✓ **Mandate clearly placed focus on the need to:**

- **Advocate**
- **Promote**
- **Educate**
- **Advise**

# Advocacy

- ✓ **Rest and Retirement Home By-Law**
  - Met with the Assistant Deputy Minister – Seniors' Secretariat
- ✓ **Need for more respite beds**
  - Requested a report
- ✓ **Seniors accessing primary care**
  - Seniors unable to access family physician
- ✓ **Meetings with Seniors Groups**
  - Hear concerns

# Advocacy con't

- Information and Referral – Need for “live voice”
- Seniors' Wellness – Walking program
  - Distribution of pedometers
- Support user fee exemption skaters 65+





# Promotion

- ✓ Commissioned “Action Planning for Sudbury’s Golden Opportunity” – Official Plan
  - Seniors –based economic development strategic plan = retention and attraction of seniors
- ✓ Market Greater Sudbury – Great community to retire to!

# Educate

## Partnership and Launch “Seniors Directory”



# Educate con't

## ☛ Sensitivity Training



# Advisory

- ✓ Increase in Long Term Care Beds
- ✓ Housing Units – Geared to Seniors only
- ✓ Miscellaneous user fee by-law that allows 55+ reduced rates on transit and leisure services.
- ✓ Seniors' Campus



# Community Partnerships

- ✓ Symposium June 1<sup>st</sup> –Greater Sudbury Police Service
- ✓ Creation of a community seniors' network



# Appreciation

## Members of the Seniors' Roundtable

- Alice Forbes-Girdlestone
- Chiman Harsora
- Marlene A. Johnson
- Maire Laurikainen
- John R. Lindsay
- Pat O'Malley
- Pat Montpetit
- Franca McMillan
- Anadel Hastie – Co-Chair
- Councillor Ted Callaghan

# Aging Community

- ✓ Sudbury ranked \*6<sup>th</sup> in the number of households aged 55 and older
- ✓ Senior households will increase by 42 % come 2026
- ✓ Sustain a community to deal with a “booming” population
- ✓ Important for City to hear from seniors and have a voice to support seniors issues

\*(of the 27 Canadian Census Metropolitan Area's)