



SENIORS FOR SOCIAL ACTION (ONTARIO)

INFORMATION BULLETIN

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Seniors for Social Action (Ontario) is pleased to report that Village Canada plans to build a large Canadian-built, non-profit, intergenerational, mixed income, and inclusive community at 875 Heron Road in Ottawa.

The village will include all services required for older adults to age in place irrespective of their level of care requirements. There are currently fourteen service agencies, community associations and seniors' organizations coming together to develop this seniors intergenerational village.

The Village will offer fitness, healthcare, and community support for older adults, and will be located close to a local mall, transit lines, and a footbridge across the Rideau River connecting with Carleton University to give students access to intergenerational housing, restaurants, cafeterias and recreational supports at the RA Centre.

This is exactly the kind of housing development that Seniors for Social Action (Ontario) has been advocating for to assist older adults to age in place with dignity and support.

This is a true community effort with Architecture professor Jerry Hacker, a volunteer with this project, working with his Carleton University class to come up with a proposed master plan design.

The Federal government has recently announced a desire to support non-profit housing through long-term low-cost land leases of Federal properties. The Feds have asked "the Canada Lands Company and Public Services and Procurement Canada to accelerate the planning process" (Seniors Innovation Hub, 2025).

SSAO's Chair is meeting with the Parliamentary Secretary to the Housing and Infrastructure Minister today to discuss exactly this topic. Stay tuned.

Thanks to our friends at the Seniors Health Innovation Hub and to Dr. Mary Lou Kelley of SSAO's Expert Research and Policy Panel for this important information.

To learn more: Seniors Innovation Hub, 2025.

<https://seniorshealthinnovationshub.com/2025/03/17/learn-more-about-the-vision/>