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INFORMATION BULLETIN – FEDERAL AGE WELL AT HOME INITIATIVE

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This month the Federal Minister of Seniors, Kamal Khara, announced the Age Well at Home initiative. It signals the beginning of a change in direction by the Federal government and an acknowledgement that older adults wish to age in place.

The “Age Well at Home” initiative is a new Federal grants and contributions program with the goal of helping seniors stay in their homes for as long as possible”.

The announcement states: “the Government of Canada is committed to ensuring that Canadian seniors have all the supportive care they need to help them age at home, thereby increasing their sense of belonging and connection to the communities they live in.”

\$90 million is being invested over the next 4 years, and calls for proposals are being issued to organizations wishing to apply for funding in two streams – In-Home Support Pilot Projects and Scaling Up for Seniors. One stream is intended to assist older adults to navigate and access eligible services provided by local organizations, and the other provides funds to organizations to expand their services that are geared to help older adults to age in place.

This may be an opportunity for Ontario organizations to partner with those in other provinces to scale up these kinds of support services.

Calls for proposals opened on June 8th and will continue to July 22, 2022.

This may be the beginning of the Federal government finally getting directly involved in funding organizations to support older adults wishing to age in place in their own homes and communities.

For more information on this announcement please go to:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/news/2022/06/minister-khara-announces-launch-of-age-well-at-home-initiative.html>