

## **Congratulations to the Town of Innisfail, Town of Okotoks and the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo on your Alberta Age-Friendly Recognition Award**

**Alberta's government officially recognized three communities for demonstrating their commitment to becoming more age-friendly and developing age-friendly action plan's.**

On Friday, April 12, 2024, at the 25<sup>th</sup> annual Minister's Seniors Service Awards held in Edmonton, three communities were recognized for demonstrating their commitment towards becoming age-friendly communities. Congratulations to the Town of Innisfail, Town of Okotoks and the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, who are all supporting participation and healthy, active lifestyles for older adults and all citizens!



***Town of Innisfail Left to Right: The Honourable Salma Lakhani, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta; Sandy Wacker, Councillor Don Harrison, Honourable Jason Nixon, Doris Kibermanis, Dianne Mainville***

The Town of Innisfail, through use of their age-friendly action plan has made notable strides in enhancing age-friendliness by prioritizing outdoor spaces, improving transportation, offering diverse housing options, enhancing social participation, fostering respect and inclusion, encouraging civic and employment opportunities for seniors, and bolstering community support and health services, thus ensuring seniors' are part of an active and inclusive community.



**Town of Okotoks** Left to Right: The Honourable Salma Lakhani, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta; Mayor Tanya Thorn; Sian Anderson; Sandra Egroff; Honourable Jason Nixon; Patricia Reader-Downey

The Town of Okotoks prioritizes age-friendliness with a robust and comprehensive plan addressing the needs of older adults across various dimensions, in particular housing, transportation, and social participation. This approach reflects a commitment to inclusive growth, accessibility, and well-being for all residents.



**Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo** Left to Right: The Honourable Salma Lakhani, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta; Henry Hunter; Luana Bussieres, Honourable Jason Nixon

The Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo demonstrates commendable commitment to creating a more age-friendly community with a vigorous and thorough plan to address housing, transportation, health services, social inclusion, and community engagement through collaborative strategic partnerships to ensure ongoing progress.

For more information about the Age-Friendly Alberta Recognition Program, the Alberta Age-Friendly Community of Practice, and tools and resources for building age-friendly communities, visit [Age-friendly communities](#).