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NEW HORIZONS FOR SENIORS PROGRAM NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Organizations in Calgary Midnapore can submit proposals for the New Horizons for Seniors Program (NHSP) 2018-2019 Community-based Projects until June 21st, 2019.

NHSP provides funding to support activities that engage seniors and address one or more of its five objectives: volunteering, mentoring, expanding awareness of elder abuse, social participation and capital assistance. This year, organizations are invited to apply for community-based funding under the NHSP's three national priorities:

it provides funding for projects led or inspired by seniors. Organizations are invited to apply for funding, under the following three national priorities, for projects that empower seniors to initiate and participate in activities that benefit:

- preventing elder abuse and fraud, including measures to reduce crimes and harms against seniors;
- supporting healthy aging in the community, addressing dementia, including community supports and intergenerational housing; and
- counteracting ageism in the workplace to promote labour market retention of seniors.

Eligible organizations can receive up to \$25,000 in project funding. Starting this year, organizations that have not benefitted from NHSP funding during the last five years can receive up to \$5,000 as part of the new small grants pilot project.

Programs like NHSP not only encourage seniors to stay involved in their community, but also increase their social participation and inclusion. This is key to enhancing well-being and quality of life, as well as to enable seniors to stay active and share their knowledge, skills and experience with other community members.

Seniors make remarkable contributions to our communities. Investing in NHSP community-based projects that help reinforce partnerships with local governments, institutions and organizations, is extremely important to improve the lives of seniors.

I encourage organizations to consider submitting a proposal under the NHSP. More information is available at <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/new-horizons-seniors.html> or please don't hesitate to contact my office for assistance.

Sincerely,

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