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MINUTES

SUBJECT: Age-Friendly Advisory Committee

MEETING DATE: June 14, 2022 **TIME:** 2:00 – 3:30 PM

LOCATION: Zoom Meeting Link:
<https://simcoe.zoom.us/j/91979425390?pwd=RkVfYjYzbGJia1pBb0lDM3dVVUFOUT09>
Meeting ID: 919 7942 5390
Passcode: 449968
Telephone: 1-855-703-8985

CHAIR: Jane Sinclair, General Manager, Health & Emergency Services

RECORDER: Catherine Ivanyshyn, Administrative Assistant II, County of Simcoe

ATTENDANCE:

Catherine O'Connor, Hearing Care Counsellor, Canadian Hearing Services
Dan Leonard, Service Coordinator & Community Navigator, Independent Living Services
Jamie White, Student, Long-Term Care & Seniors Services, County of Simcoe
Jacqueline Berchtold, Project Coordinator, County of Simcoe
Judy Contin, Executive Director, Askennonnia Senior Centre
Kris Hughston, Project Champion, Project LifeSaver
Maria Borczyk, Matthews House Hospice
Michele Gouett, Chair Tay Seniors Advisory Committee
Michelle Pauzé, Director, Seniors Services, County of Simcoe
Ron Coutts, Seniors Representative
Sarah Orr-Shaw, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit
Sherry Teeter, Community Connection/211 Central East Ontario
Tracy Hill, Programs & Support Supervisor, Seniors Services and Age-Friendly Champion,
County of Simcoe

GUESTS:

Jenna Wickens, Mature Minds Program Coordinator of Catholic Family Services Simcoe County
Kristy Campbell, Community Paramedicine Program Manager, County of Simcoe

REGRETS:

Andrea Roylance, Matthews House Hospice
County Councilor Anita Dubeau, Deputy Mayor, Town of Penetanguishene
Annick Brown, Director of Family Services, La Clé
Arfona Zwiers, Director, Social and Affordable Housing, County of Simcoe
Åsa Klint Piggott, Manager, Performance, Quality & Development, County of Simcoe
Barbara Knechtel, Midland Senior Council
Carly Murphy, Essa Township
Cate Root, Tay Township Representative
Christina Strong, Communications Coordinator, Independent Living Services Simcoe County



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County Councillor Sandie Macdonald, Mayor, Town of Innisfil
Deborah Dion-Smith, Midland Seniors Council
Chris Greer, Tiny Township Senior Advisory Committee
Dawn Hipwell, Director, Procurement, Fleet & Property County of Simcoe
Greg Bishop, Director, Social and Community Housing, County of Simcoe
Heather Hollingshead, Spinal Cord Injury Ontario (SCIO)
Jim Gough, Seniors Representative
Johan Chen, Planning Officer, Entité 4
Kari Warnar, Community Safety and Wellbeing, Avail Consulting
Kelley Swift Jones, County of Simcoe Museum
Kim Woodland, Matthews House Hospice
Laura-Lynn Bourassa, Manager Education & Support Programs, Alzheimer Society
Linda Flemington, Collingwood
Lori Crossan, Collingwood Public Library
Lucia Ricardo, Seniors Advisory Committee and CNIB Simcoe Muskoka
Margaret Adolphe, Chair Accessibility Committee of Collingwood
Marie Hartman, South Georgian Bay Community Health Centre
Marlene de Jesus, Helping Hands Orillia
Mary Warnock, Chair Seniors Advisory Committee, Tay Township
Melissa Mei, LHINS
Merideth Morrison, Director, Performance, Quality & Development, County of Simcoe
Mia Brown, Manager, Substance Use & Injury Prevention Program, SMDHU
Nancy Esson, Right at Home Canada
Nathan Westendorp, Director Planning & Chief Planner, County of Simcoe
Ruth McArthur, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit
Sandra Easson Bruno, Director North Simcoe Muskoka Specialized Geriatric Services Program
Susan Plewes, LHINS
Tami Tarini, Independent Living Services
Tom Johnston, Seniors for Seniors

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ITEM	ACTION
1.0 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS All committee members were welcomed to the meeting.	
2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA The Agenda was approved as presented.	
3.0 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (April 5, 2022) The Minutes from the February 22 nd meeting were approved as presented by Judy Contin and seconded by Catherine O'Connor.	



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<p>4.0 Funding Application Updates Tracy Hill, Age-Friendly Program Lead</p> <p>Grant proposals have been submitted for the Simcoe County Age-Friendly Framework. The first was the Bell Canada Grant for \$25,000 and the second was the New Horizons Grant for \$25,000. Through this grant, the County was able to purchase interactive projectors called Lycunt for our four Long-Term Care homes. Lycunt was created with the idea that interactive gaming can take a person out of their environment and into a virtual world. A world where individuals with cognitive impairments can experience fun and social interaction. With the wave of a hand or the step of a foot, images come alive and immerses the individual into a playful environment that stimulates the brain and encourages physical activity with effects that improves recall by encouraging the recollection of memory via pictures or games that enhance hand-eye coordination through the movement of pictures. Lycunt provides fun and innovative care with over a hundred games.</p>	
<p>5.0 Presentation: Grandpals</p> <p>Jenna Wickens, Mature Minds Program Coordinator of Catholic Family Services Simcoe County</p> <p><u>Catholic Family Services (CFS) MatureMinds:</u> Provides programs and services that makes ageing exciting for everyone. Ageing is a privilege and through MatureMinds, CFS do education awareness webinars on ageism. Programs include: Friendship Bench in Seniors Month in Barrie, Bradford and Orillia where a CFS representative sits on a bench with a sign to come and talk (90% being older adults who sit and talk with them); Slow Cooker Club in Barrie and Orillia in the fall where they give a slow cooker away and teach them how to use it; Better with Age Speaker series; and, Valentines and Easter Cards. Programs are listed on the website. MatureMinds: https://cfssc.ca/matureminds/</p> <p><u>GrandPals:</u> To build a world of deeper intergenerational learning, storytelling and friendship. This is done by engaging older adults with students at an elementary school level. Grandpals started as in-person with older adults sharing their stories. The Pandemic halted the in-person interaction. This has been shown to create friendships between the older adults and the students. GrandPals recruit GrandPals who want to be involved and are vetted and matched with a training program</p>	<p>Catherine Ivanyshyn will add Grandpals to the Age-Friendly website.</p> <p>Jenna Wickens will forward a handout to Tracy for distribution.</p>



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<p>where older adults practice telling their stories and are taught the technology and then they are paired with an elementary school. GrandPals will be moving into a hybrid model with both virtual and in-person. GrandPals also develop friendships with each other. GrandPals is an Age-Friendly program that incorporates respect and social inclusion as well as social participation. GrandPals is looking for people who would be a GrandPal and a champion GrandPal and share their stories.</p> <p> Grandpals.pdf</p> <p>Website: www.grandpals.ca Email : jwickens@cfssc.ca</p>	
<p>6.0 Presentation: Community Paramedicine Program</p> <p>Kristy Campbell, Manager, Community Paramedicine, County of Simcoe</p> <p> CPHV Program Presentation - June</p> <p><u>Community Paramedicine Home Visit Program</u> – Funding from this Program was received from the Ministry of Long-Term Care. Community Paramedicine supports patients to stay healthy and independent within their own homes and to support people who are on a long-term care waitlist or soon to be on this waitlist. Through this program, patients become less reliant on calling 911, which can result in a reduction in hospital visits and clinic/physician appointments allowing for increased health care system capacity and enhanced patient satisfaction.</p> <p>The program provides in-home support for patients with Congestive Heart Failure (CHF), Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and Diabetes and recently, has been supporting chronic Urinary Tract Infections. Community Paramedics can perform routine and exacerbation assessments in consultation with the patient’s physician/nurse practitioner and the in-house medical delegation of Dr. Marty McNamara and Morgan Krauter (Nurse Practitioner).</p> <p>Referrals for the Community Paramedicine Home Visit Program can come from patients, family members, neighbours,</p>	



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<p>paramedics, Home and Community Care, emergency departments and other healthcare providers across the County.</p> <p>Wellness Clinics – Wellness clinics have been set up to support homeless individuals’ unmet medical and mental health needs. Also run wellness clinics for the vulnerable population to support wellness, decrease 911 calls and hospital visits. If successful with the recent funding, the County will be looking to expand into low income seniors housing. Currently, there is support for two (2) full-time Community Paramedics and weekly wellness clinics for individuals in seven homeless shelters.</p> <p>In collaboration with CMHA (Canadian Mental Health Association), Community Paramedics provide general wellness checks, episodic care, vaccinations, referral services, access to mental health and addiction services, and connection with primary care providers.</p> <p>The Community Paramedicine Program receives approximately 100 referrals a month and these referral forms are assessed to determine the best referral pathway.</p> <p><i>Want to confirm that referrals can only be made for the three chronic diseases? No renal or hepatic disease, pain etc.?</i></p> <p>Correct. Congestive Heart Failure (CHF), Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and Diabetes are the three main disease criteria for the program. However, once a patient is in the Community Paramedicine Program, all pain is treated. The County is hoping to expand the program and identify needs specific to our community. Some of these needs include palliative care, dementia and mental health. The County’s Community Paramedicine team will be collaborating with community partners to determine need and develop medical directives around these needs.</p> <p>The Ambulance Act legislation changed a few years ago. When there is a 911 call, paramedics would arrive, assess and transport to the nearest hospital or to specific hospitals if required. Currently, depending on appropriate fit, alternate destinations are now part of this assessment, such as hospice. A Model of Care has been developed and the County is waiting on feedback from the Province. Community Paramedicine will be happy to present to this group again in future meetings to present any new updates.</p> <p>Email: Kristy.Campbell@simcoe.ca</p>	



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<p>7.0 WHAT'S HAPPENING (local community initiatives) – Roundtable</p> <p><u>Sarah Orr-Shaw, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit</u> Cyber Seniors has expanded internationally and there is no longer a need for the IPads within the County as the program has ended in this region. Sarah will coordinate delivery to the County for use in Long-Term Care and Seniors Services. Sarah will be returning to the position on the Fall Prevention Collaborative table.</p> <p><u>Dan Leonard, Service Coordinator & Community Navigator, Independent Living Services</u> Seniors Information shows are starting up again. Tiny Township just had their Seniors Symposium in the last few weeks. This was well attended. The Town of Penetanguishene just had their symposium last week, also with a good turnout. Wasaga Beach Seniors Symposium is taking place next week.</p> <p>Dan enquired with Sarah Orr-Shaw about the End Falls Program. This program ended due to lack of capacity and partners that are required to keep it running. Interested in this program resurging.</p> <p><u>Judy Contin, Executive Director, Askennonnia Senior Centre</u> Askennonnia Senior Centre will be hosting their first outdoor BBQ this summer. The Centre continues with masking protocols within the buildings.</p> <p><u>Michele Gouett, Chair Tay Seniors Advisory Committee</u> Michelle has been Chair this group in recent months. It was noted that during COVID, there was some difficulty engaging members. Tay Seniors Advisory Committee Seniors Symposium is planned for October 19th 2022. The Committee applied for a Community Services Grant from the Ontario Government in the amount of \$18,000 to put together a program called Seniors Talks and the Committee is awaiting a response. In the interim, the Committee will hold their first event on June 15th. A retired County of Simcoe employee will be a guest speaker to talk about seniors grants. There will be an update to the Simcoe Directory in conjunction with the four municipalities and the Province.</p>	<p>Sarah will coordinate with Tracy Hill on the IPads for donation to the County.</p>



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<p><u>Sherry Teeter, Community Connection/211 Central East Ontario</u> The survey (focus groups) are being conducted in South Simcoe, South Georgian Bay, North Simcoe, Barrie and one done on the Zoom platform over the next two (2) weeks. A formal report will be completed and distributed this summer. This report will encompass libraries, seniors centers, recreation centers, and other such places in order to support actions needed based on the focus group results. It was noted that one of the biggest challenges noted from feedback was how seniors were finding it difficult to find the list or calendar of available activities scheduled in their communities. A suggestion was put forth to post these at local banks, grocery stores, local newspapers in the seniors section, clubs, community boards, etc. where seniors would easily find them. And to ensure large, bold colours that can be easily seen and identified by seniors.</p> <p><u>Catherine O'Connor, Hearing Care Counsellor, Canadian Hearing Services</u> The Canadian Hearing Society no longer has an office in Barrie or Simcoe County. Catherine oversees northern Simcoe County area and Ross Howard oversees southern Simcoe County and both split the Barrie region. For those who do not have access to Zoom, the Counsellors were able to visit clients in their homes for assistance. However, currently, they are only visiting via telephone or zoom. There is a new program called "Sound Advice" which consists of four (4) sessions on How to Communicate with Family, How to Communicate with Physicians, Troubleshoot a Hearing Aid and the Psycho Social Aspects of Hearing Loss.</p> <p><u>Maria Borczyk, Matthews House Hospice</u> Matthews House Hospice remained open during the Pandemic. Community Programs have opened up and back to in-person or operating in a hybrid fashion. The focus is on identifying those who have been diagnosed with a life-limiting illness as soon as possible in order to help support them sooner. The Hospice is partnering with the Alzheimer's Society, Parkinson's and Cancer support programs to support them and their families. The Hospice is providing a caregiver relief program for clients and providing this service as a hospice at home of four hours a week through extra support of PSWs. Hospice all provides care planning support for families and the community.</p>	



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<p><u>Kris Hughston, Project Lead, Project LifeSaver</u></p> <p>Project LifeSaver continues to work with Police on Project LifeSaver training in Wasaga Beach, Penetanguishene, Midland, Tiny and Tay. There has been a reach out Nottawasaga area and hoping to reach all of Simcoe County. Presentation yesterday to Tay Township to their Seniors Advisory Committee. There has been enquiries from parents with children with Autism looking to utilize this program.</p> <p>Community Vet Outreach – An event was held on May 28th to showcase this program. Aid was provided to four (4) individuals with three (3) dogs and one cat for support with rabies shots, flea and tick, cat food, dog food, etc. If anyone with pets is on ODSP (Ontario Disability Support Program), CPP (Canadian Pension Plan) and OAS (Old Age Security) or OW (Ontario Works), you may refer them to Community Vet Outreach - https://vetoutreach.org/</p> <p><u>Tracy Hill, Age-Friendly Project Lead, County of Simcoe</u> Georgian Village Community Pool and Fitness Centre is opening back up to external members. The Age-Friendly Seniors Housing Grant is open and deadline is June 30th. June is Seniors Month across the Seniors Campuses and programs are running in all areas.</p> <p><u>Ron Coutts, Seniors Representative</u> Very happy to see all of the great programs opening up in the communities.</p>	<p>Connect with County of Simcoe Social Services Dept. on the Community Vet Outreach Program.</p>
<p>8.0 Closing Remarks</p> <p>Debbie Islam, the CEO of the Alzheimer’s Society is retiring and the Committee will help recognize her work with seniors at the next Age-Friendly Advisory Committee Meeting.</p> <p>The Age-Friendly Seniors Housing Grant program continues despite COVID delays.</p> <p>The Municipal Grant Program was challenged over COVID, but will start back up again soon.</p> <p>The Age-Friendly Business Recognition Program will start back up again this year with a new component which will be added to broaden this recognition to individuals who have gone above and beyond to help support seniors in our communities.</p>	



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More information will be provided in the coming months and feedback is welcome from the Committee.	
9.0 Next Meeting: September 13 th , 2022 (1:00 PM – 2:30 PM)	
10.0 Adjournment: 3:20 PM	

Grandpals

Once Upon
a Time

Tell Me a
Story

The Greater
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Catholic Family Services
of Essex County



Mature
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Mental Health & Wellness for Older Adults



The Script of our Story



"I've created this course because I believe seniors are one of our greatest untapped sources of living history"
-Marc Mailhot, Founder





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Our aim is to build a world of deeper intergenerational learning, storytelling, and friendship

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Learning:
Education, Wisdom,
and Process are
valued

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Storytelling:
Grows caring and
empathy; Develops
understanding of
the past, present,
and future

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Friendship:
Fosters authentic
friendships
virtually and in
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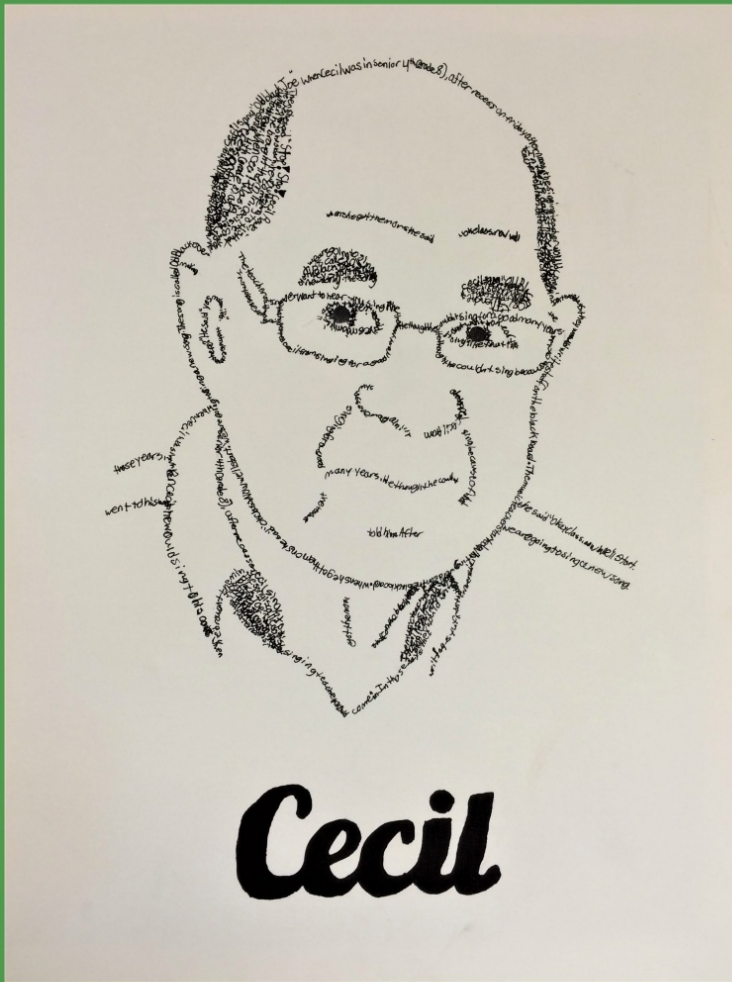
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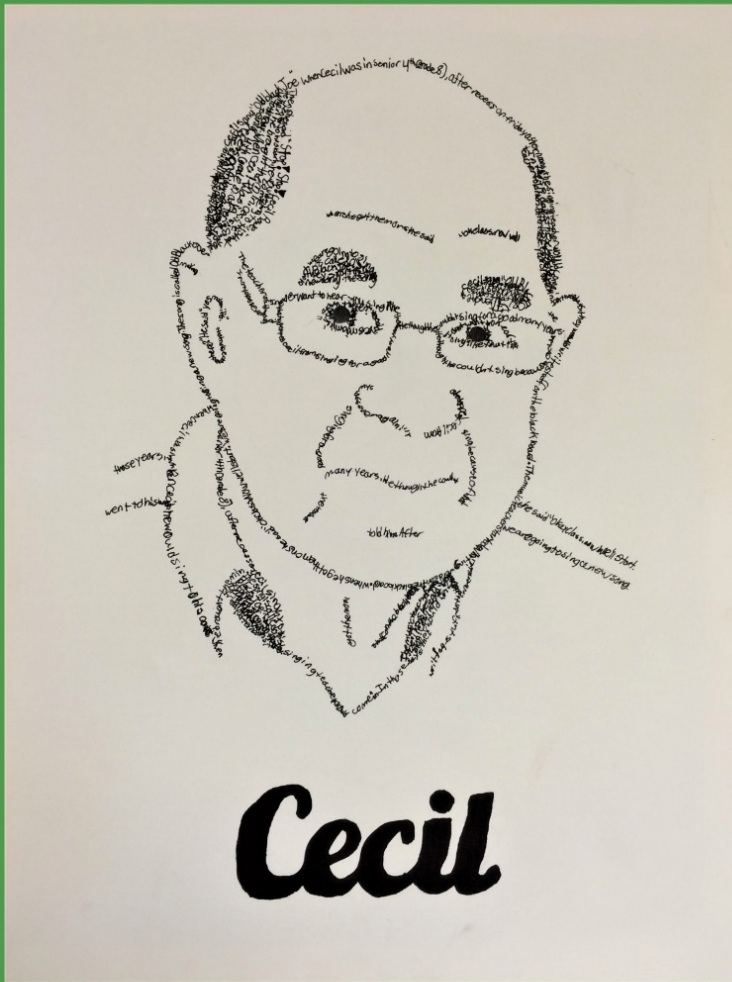
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Providing Help Offering Hope Creating Futures



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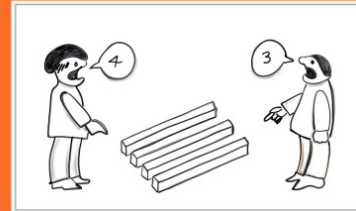
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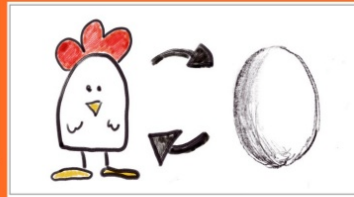
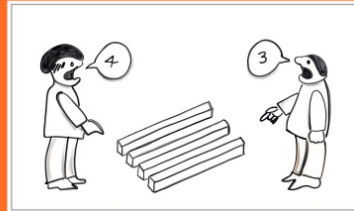
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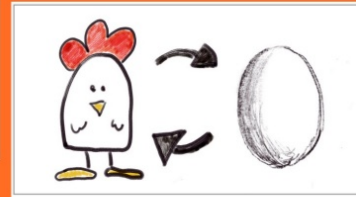
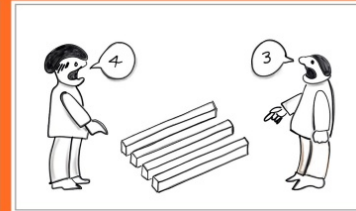
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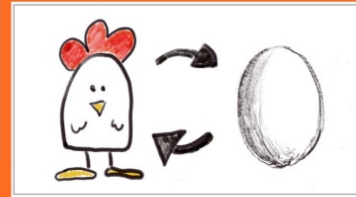
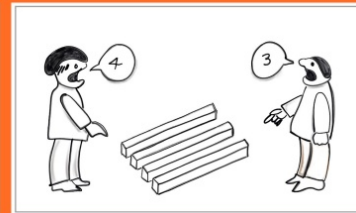
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Plot Line

You Have a Story...



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1. Recruit

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1. Recruit
2. Vet

Grandpals



1. Recruit
2. Vet
3. Equip

Grandpals



1. Recruit
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4. Match

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1. Recruit
2. Vet
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4. Match
5. Share

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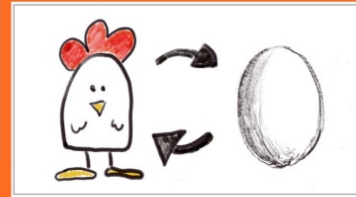
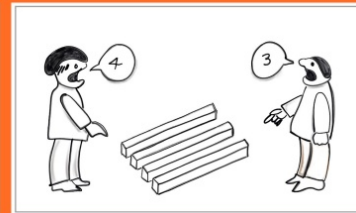


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4. Match
5. Share
6. Celebrate

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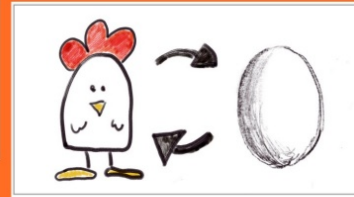
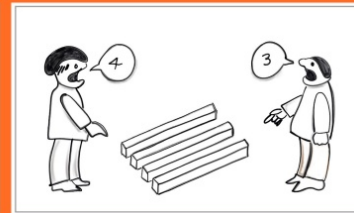
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Plot Twist!

You are previewing as an enrolled student

growinggrandpals.com/courses/take/watermark/assignments/29189915-submit-assignment-2

Submit Assignment 2

Introduction - You Have Stories About the World

Watch the Video Lesson 2 ("The World")

Read & Reflect

Video Chat Workshop 2 - Wed, Nov.17th @ 10 am

Submit Assignment 2

Optional: Share Additional Insights

Take Survey 2

Congratulations on Finishing Chapter 2

3. You Have Stories About Decisions > Nov.18-24 0/8

4. You Have Stories About Change > Nov.25-Dec.1 0/8

5. You Have Stories About Perspectives > Dec.2-8 0/8

6. You Have Stories About Origins > Dec.9-15 0/8

Submit Assignment 2

Done

About the world

Notes

- My trip to Russia
- Planning trip in R.C.
- Family in France

Details About Russia Trip

was • My school had an exchange program - the exchange student name was Anton

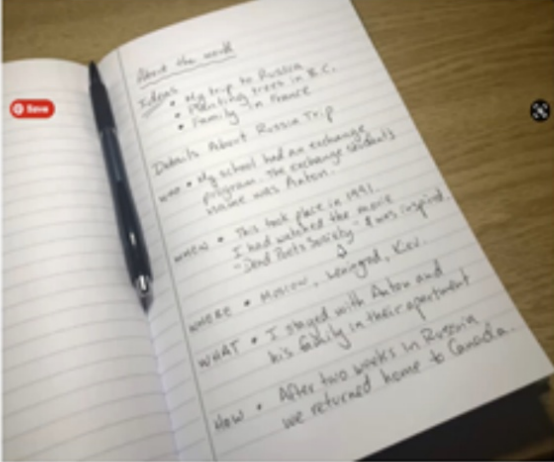
where • This took place in 1991. I had watched the movie "And Bolt's Secretly" - it was inspired

WHAT • Moscow, Leograd, Kazan

How • I stayed with Anton and his family in their apartment

After two weeks in Russia we returned home to Canada

EASIEST: Submit an Assignment with Pen, Paper and a Mobile Device







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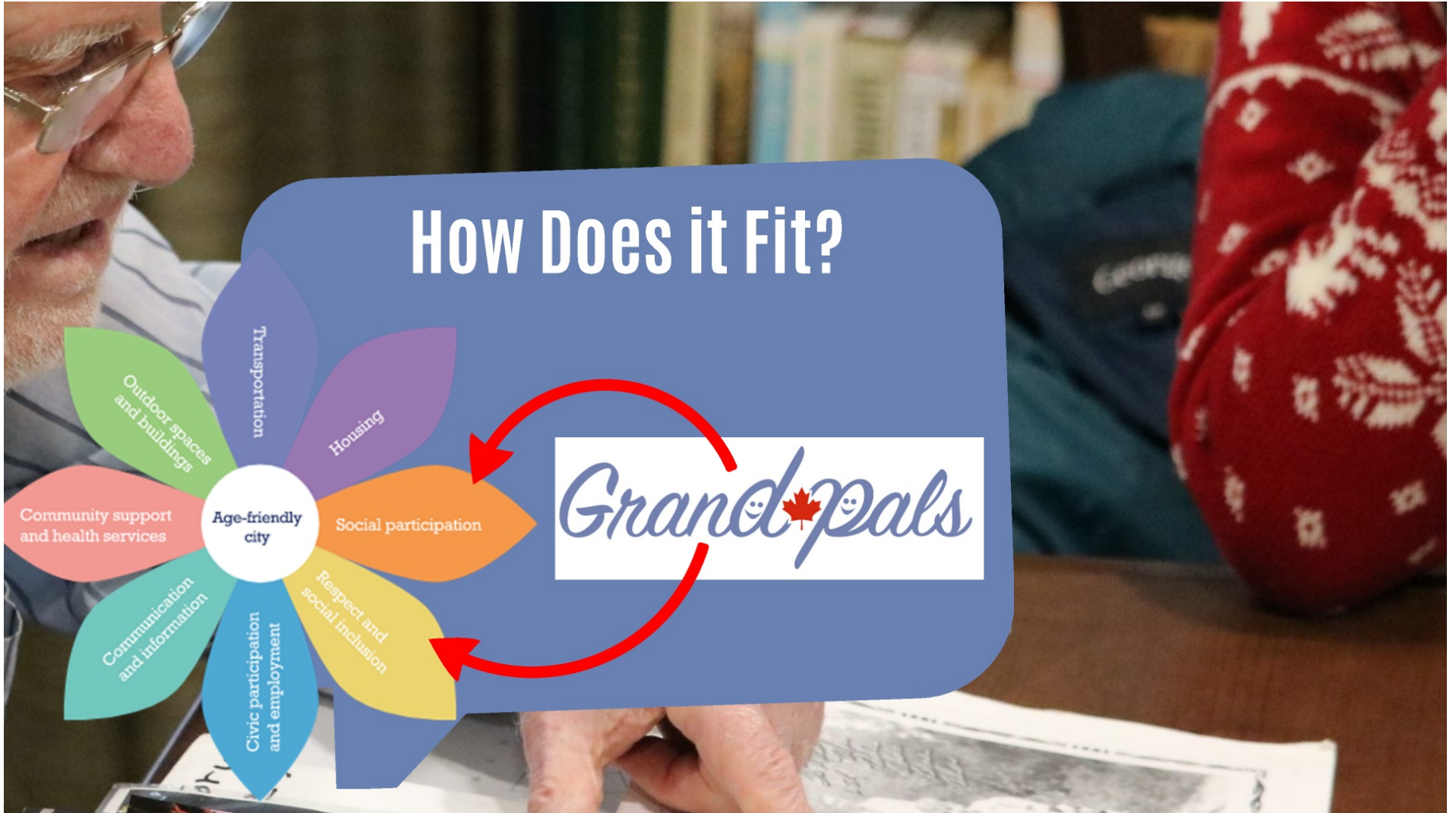
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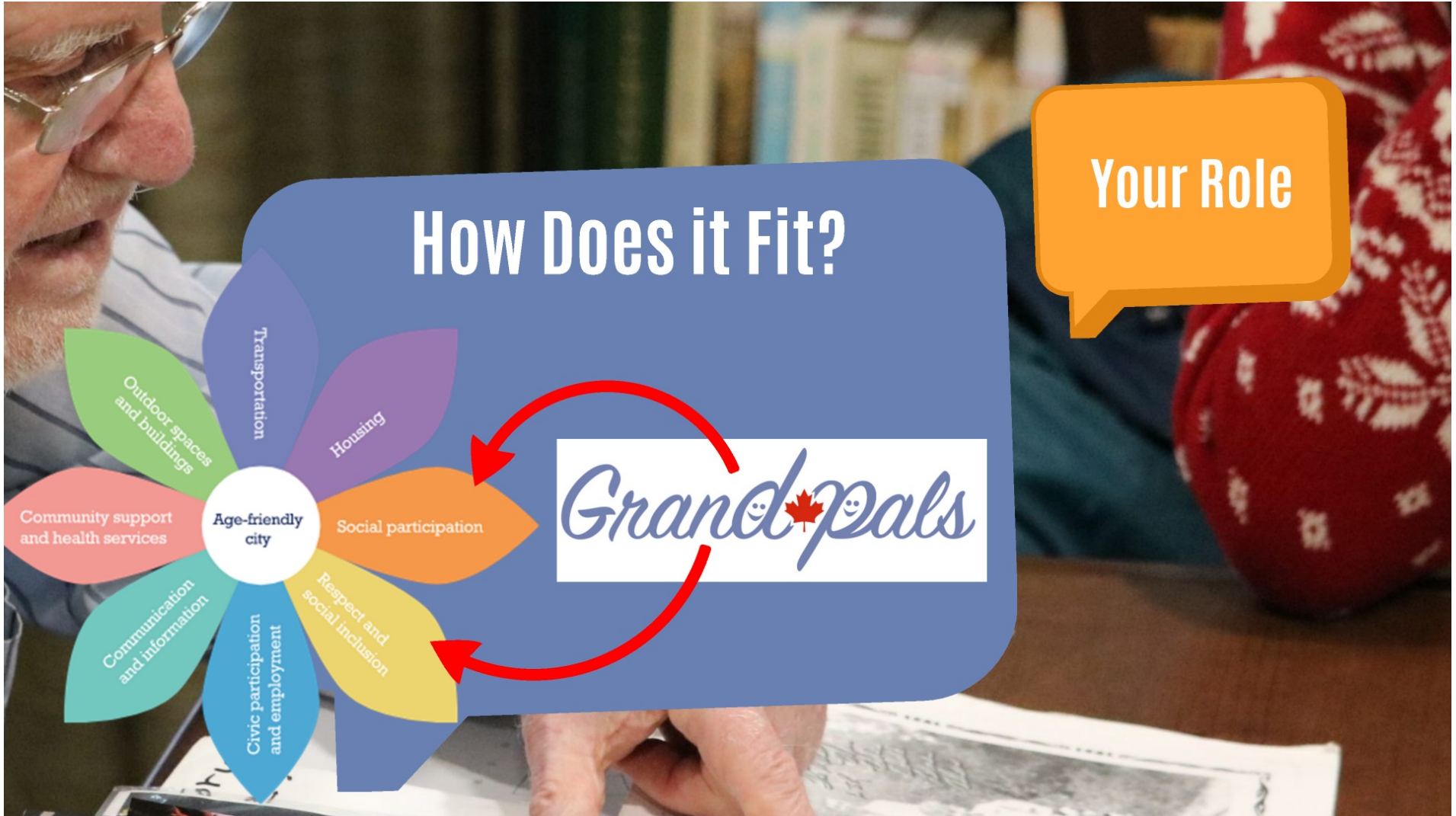
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How Does it Fit?

Grandpals



How Does it Fit?

Your Role

Grandpals

Age-friendly city

Transportation

Housing

Social participation

Respect and social inclusion

Civic participation and employment

Communication and information

Community support and health services

Outdoor spaces and buildings

Your Role:



"I THINK MOST PEOPLE DO NOT THINK THEY HAVE STORIES. YOU'VE GOT EXPERIENCES TO BRING TO YOUNG PEOPLE HERE THAT ARE GOING TO BE LIFE CHANGING FOR THEM...SO BE THAT PERSON IN THEIR LIFE. THAT'S GOING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE."

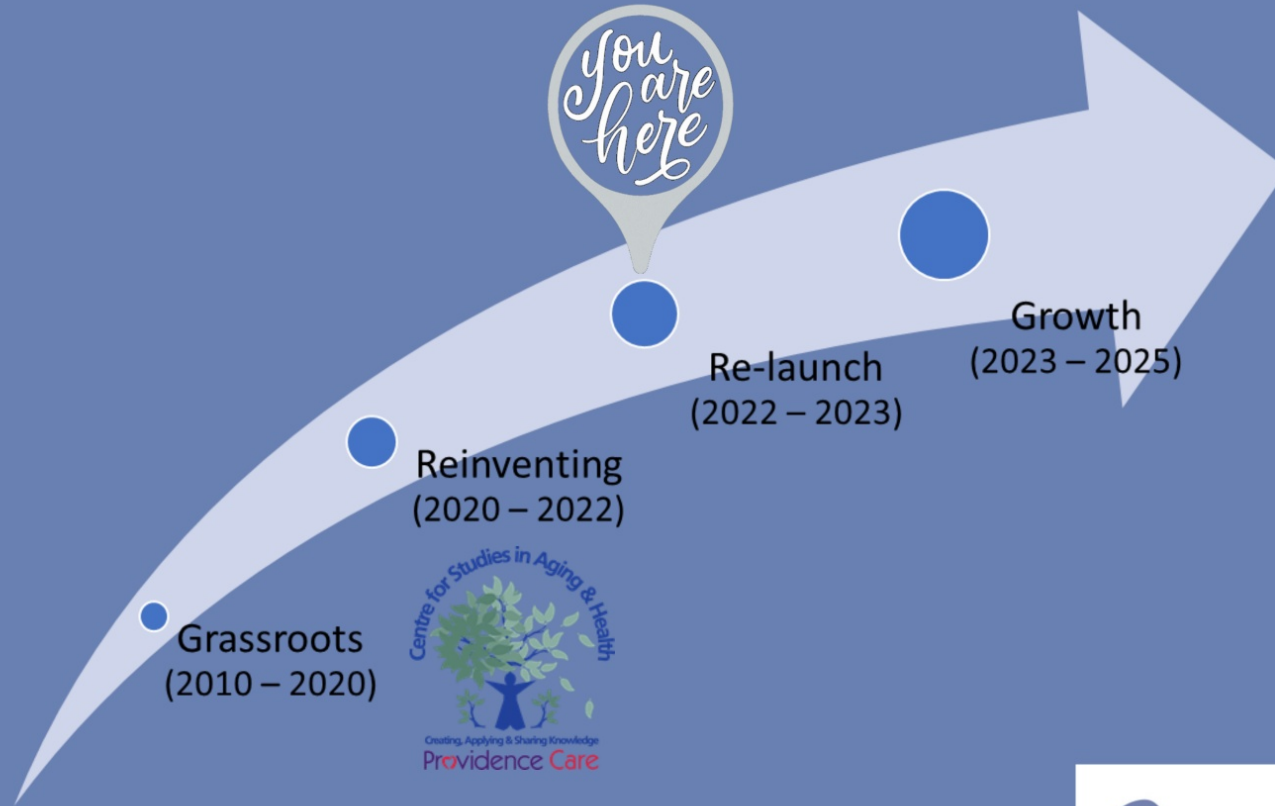
-NEIL ORFORD, HISTORIAN / AWARD WINNING EDUCATOR

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Your Role:

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You can get involved by becoming a:

Grandpals

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2. Champion GrandPal- recruit GrandPals



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4. Host Teacher- enrich student learning by hosting GrandPals in your classroom

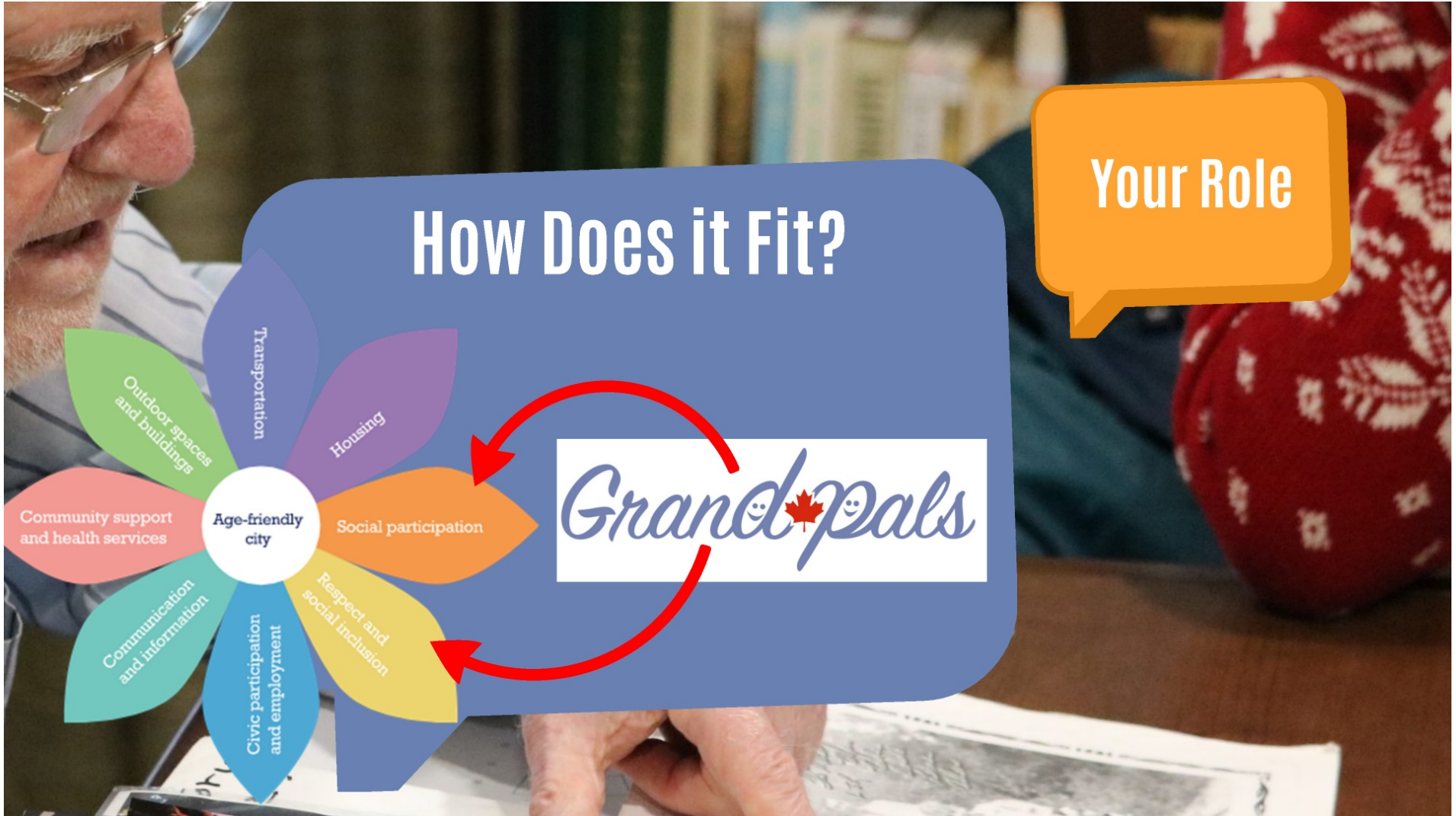


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2. Champion GrandPal- recruit GrandPals
3. Program Coordinator- start up & coordinate GrandPals in your community
4. Host Teacher- enrich student learning by hosting GrandPals in your classroom

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Community Paramedicine Home Visit Program

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Community Paramedicine Home Visit Program

Key features:

- Recent funding from Ministry of Long Term Care to support clients on the long term care wait list
- Expanded scope paramedics
- In-home support for patients with CHF, COPD and Diabetes
- Routine and exacerbation assessments
- Consultation with the patient's physician/nurse practitioner
- In-house medical delegation
 - Dr. Marty McNamara
 - Morgan Krauter (NP)



Community Paramedics



Community paramedics can perform the following:

- Wellness Checks
- Physical Assessments
- Other Assessments
 - Frailty Score, Rapid Geriatric, ADL/iADL, Snellen, Home Safety, PPS, CAT, ESAS, mMRC
- Vital Signs (including ECG)
- Chronic Disease Management
- Patient Education
- Medication Compliance
- Medication Administration / Symptom Relief
- Home Safety Scans
- Bloodwork
 - Electrolytes, blood urea nitrogen, creatinine, glucose, hemoglobin, hematocrit, INR, A1C
- COVID-19 testing
- Influenza and COVID-19 Vaccinations
- IV access
- Tracheostomy, Catheter and Ostomy Care

Community Paramedicine Home Visit Program

BENEFITS

- Community Paramedicine supports patients to stay healthy and independent within their own homes
- Patients become less reliant on calling 9-1-1
- Reduction of hospital visits
- Reduction of clinic/physician appointments
- Increased health care system capacity
- Enhanced patient satisfaction



Our Home Visit Patient

72 y/o female with multiple chronic diseases:

- COPD, Pulmonary Interstitial Fibrosis, Pulmonary Embolism, Pulmonary hypertension, CVA, depression, anxiety, rheumatoid arthritis

A routine community paramedicine in-home visit:

- Increased SOB/OE with increased cough and purulent sputum production x 2 weeks
- Impossible for her to lay flat to sleep due to her SOB
- Auscultation revealed deep rhonchi in the mid to base bilateral and mild inspiratory crackles
- Considering Medical Assistance In Dying

How the CP Home Visit Program Helped:

Following the comprehensive assessment, the CP conducted a phone consultation with the patient's primary care physician:

- Patient was prescribed:
 - Moxifloxacin 400 mg OD for 7 days
 - Prednisone 50 mg OD for 5 days
 - Atrovent and Ventolin 4 puffs each QID as per CP directive
- The CP reviewed the prescription with the patient and provided 3 days of each medication
- The prescription was sent to the pharmacy for delivery directly to the patient
- Discussion, support and resources provided to the patient regarding the MAID program

In-home follow-up assessments 3 and 7 days post

- The patient's condition had improved and she fully recovered from her COPD exacerbation



Patient Referrals

- Accepting patients who would benefit from in-home support to manage their chronic CHF, COPD and Diabetes
- Referrals can be made by completing and faxing the referral form
- www.simcoe.ca/communityparamedicine

After a Patient is Referred:



- Acceptance → Initial home visit scheduled
- Inform patient's Physician/NP
- Initial visit:
 - Patient assessment, medical conditions, current treatments, supports in place
 - Consult patient's physician/NP to facilitate changes to medications and treatment plans (if required)
 - Answer questions, schedule a follow-up appointment and make suggestions for any additional supports that may be available.
 - Phone number to consult a Paramedic directly for exacerbation

Wellness Clinics



- Homeless individuals, unmet medical and mental health needs
- Wellness clinics by Vulnerable Population Community Paramedics
- Ensure wellness and decrease 911 calls / hospital visits
- 2 full-time CPs, weekly wellness clinics for individuals in seven homeless shelters
- Provide general wellness checks, episodic care, vaccinations, referral services, access to mental health and addiction services and connection with primary care
- Collaboration with CMHA

911 Referrals



- Paramedics assessing and identifying patients with unmet health and social needs
- All referrals are reviewed and submitted to partner organizations including 211, Home and Community Care, CMHA and our CP Home Visit Program
- Approximately 100 referrals per month
- No door is the wrong door

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