

# UBCM 2016 AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY PLANNING & PROJECT GRANTS



## HEALTHY CITY PARTNERSHIP

- ▶ Statement of Cooperation signed in October 2014 by:
  - ▶ City of Kelowna
  - ▶ University of British Columbia (Okanagan Campus)
  - ▶ Interior Health Authority
- ▶ Recognizes the need to better understand the relation between healthy citizens and the performance of the built and natural environments they inhabit.

Planning a great City

# together.

1

## City building.

We plan Kelowna by taking a leading role in city building.

2

## Balancing interest.

We plan Kelowna by creating policy that balances a city-wide vision with neighborhood interests.

3

## Learning.

We plan Kelowna by facilitating a culture of continuous learning.

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## Innovation.

We plan Kelowna by embracing innovation.

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## Participation.

We plan Kelowna by continually working to broaden participation in city building.

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## Partnerships.

We plan Kelowna by pursuing partnerships with other Divisions, City Council and the public.

## WHY URBAN HEALTH MATTERS

- ▶ *“We are at a clear turning point at which we are moving towards an increasingly urbanized world. We need to appreciate the positive and negative impact on health due to urbanization and take appropriate actions to address them. There is a pressing need for action now to ensure that growing cities are healthy cities.”*





# HOW CITIES SHAPE US

- ▶ Health is not just about physical and mental health; its about urban health and the building blocks that the City plays a critical role in.



SOURCE: PEW RESEARCH, MEASURING THE HEALTH EFFECTS OF SPRAWL: A NATIONAL ANALYSIS

## COUNCIL POLICY 190 HEALTHY COMMUNITY

*The City of Kelowna endorses the principles and objectives of a Healthy Community, and acknowledges essential relationships between community health and community quality of life.*

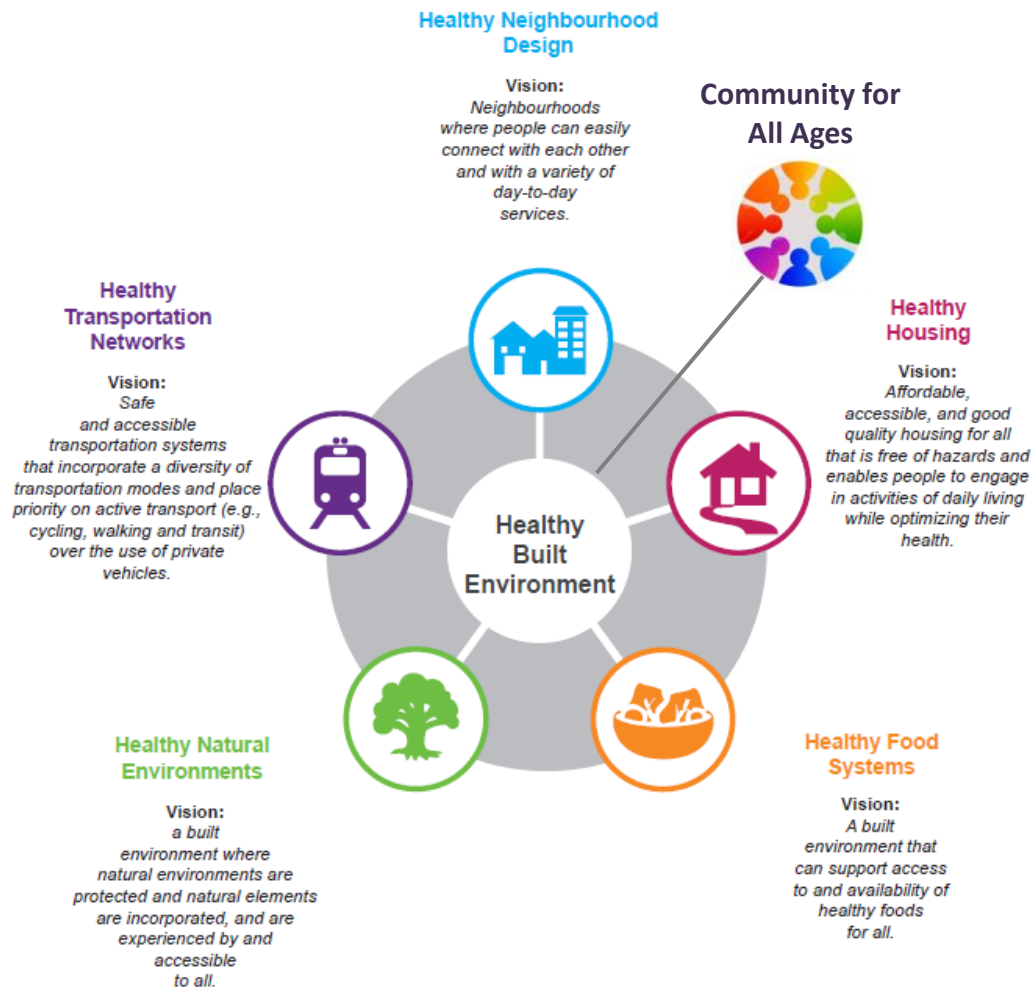


# HEALTHY CITY STRATEGY

- ▶ The Healthy City Strategy will be a long-term, integrative plan that will focus on healthy built environment, community health and quality of life for all Kelowna residents.
- ▶ Vision:
  - ▶ *Working together to create built environments in which people and places thrive.*



# HEALTHY BUILT ENVIRONMENT





## COMMUNITY FOR ALL AGES

- ▶ Percentage of seniors will increase from 19.9% in 2014 to 25.5% in 2030
- ▶ Opportunity to build resiliency, foster generational inclusiveness and promote a higher quality of life for all ages and abilities.



## UNION OF BC MUNICIPALITIES GRANT

- ▶ 2004-2015 UBCM awarded \$4.75 million in grants to 125 BC communities
- ▶ Ministry of Health has committed \$0.5 million in funding for 2016
- ▶ Maximum of 25 grants of up to \$20,000 are available

Age Friendly Communities

Tools for Building Strong Communities

## POLICY AND PLANNING'S GRANT APPLICATION

- ▶ Background research;
- ▶ Age friendly community assessment;
- ▶ Create an Age Friendly Steering Committee;
- ▶ Direct engagement;
- ▶ Policy recommendations; and
- ▶ Community for All Ages Action Plan.

# Today

*we're making a difference for tomorrow*

