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Re: Seniors Active Living Centres Program Expansion for 2023-2024

Dear Friends:

Ontario's Seniors Active Living Centre (SALC) programs offer a wide variety of activities for older adults in communities across this province. These include fitness, healthy lifestyle and wellness classes, recreation and social activities, and learning opportunities such as financial management, elder abuse prevention and volunteering.

I am very pleased to inform you that through a call for applications, our government is adding approximately 15 new SALC programs that respond to the diverse range of needs, cultural backgrounds, interests, and abilities of older adults.

Starting June 5, 2023, through <u>Transfer Payment Ontario</u> the province will be accepting applications from municipalities or organizations partnering with a municipality that do not have an existing SALC program to start a new program.

The deadline for submissions is Thursday, July 20, 2023, at 5PM EST.

To find out if your municipality has an existing SALC program, please visit <u>Find a</u> Seniors Active Living Centre program near you | Ontario.ca.

There is currently a network of almost 300 SALC programs in place across the province. I encourage all interested applicants in the targeted areas to send in an application – so that, together, we can help more older adults in remote and underserved parts of Ontario, get the programs and services they need.

Lastly, I would like to let you know that <u>June is Seniors Month in Ontario</u>, which is a time to celebrate older adults across the province, and I can think of no better way to celebrate Ontario's seniors than by helping them lead active, healthy and independent lives.

Thank you for your support.

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