

Milton Public Library Awarded New Horizons for Seniors Grant 2024

MILTON, ON – Milton, Canada – May 1st, 2024 - Acknowledging the funding of \$25,000 from the Government of Canada, the Milton Public Library (MPL) announces its reception of the New Horizons for Seniors Grant 2024.

This achievement underscores MPL's commitment to serving and empowering seniors through innovative programming, building upon the success of various projects in previous years. Particularly notable are the 'Seniors Translation for Newcomers' project under the New Horizons for Seniors Grant 2023 and the Hand-Me-Down project under the New Horizons for Seniors Grant in 2022. These initiatives, made possible by funding provided by the Government of Canada, demonstrate MPL's ongoing dedication to enhancing accessibility and inclusivity within the community.

The 2024 grant will be used for the “Engaging Senior Artists” project, which will provide senior artists in our community with opportunities to express themselves, share their wisdom, and contribute to the cultural enrichment of Milton. The project will include a series of workshops, artist talks, drop-in sharing events, and public exhibitions, allowing senior artists to showcase their talents and connect with the broader community.

As part of the project, MPL will collaborate with local artists and engage them as mentors and leaders. Seniors will actively participate in the planning, development, and implementation of the project, ensuring that their voices are heard and their skills are valued. Through these collaborative efforts, MPL aims to reduce social isolation among seniors, promote lifelong learning, and foster a sense of belonging within our community.

MPL also extends its appreciation to our local MP, Adam van Koeverden, for his steadfast advocacy, instrumental in securing this grant for the library. His unwavering support amplifies our efforts to empower seniors and enrich our community through transformative projects.

Call for Applications: Artist in Residence

Milton Public Library is inviting applications for the position of Artist in Residence as part of the “Engaging Senior Artists” project. The Artist in Residence will work closely with senior artists to facilitate workshops, mentorship sessions, and public exhibitions. This is a unique opportunity for experienced artists to make a meaningful impact in our community while collaborating with talented senior artists. Interested applicants can apply online through the following link:

https://beinspired.libwizard.com/f/Artist_in_Residence_Application

About the grant:

The New Horizons for Seniors Program (NHSP) is a federal grants and contributions program through Employment and Social Development Canada. It provides funding for projects that make a difference in the lives of seniors and in their communities.

About MPL:

Serving one of the fastest-growing municipalities in North America, Milton Public Library (MPL) is a multi-award winning public library focused on innovation and service excellence. Patrons can visit MPL through three physical branches, Main, Beaty and Sherwood as well as online through www.beinspired.ca. MPL empowers the community to Read. Learn. Create. Connect.

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