

# healthy communities Ontario

## The Healthy Communities Fund

### Local/Regional Stream

To support local multi-risk factor health promotion initiatives to prevent chronic disease and injuries.



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### Planning Stream

Brings partners together locally, regionally, and provincially to identify priorities, develop multi-year plans, and mobilize change.



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### Provincial Stream

To support provincial multi-risk factor health promotion initiatives to prevent chronic disease and injuries.



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## Priorities for the Approach to Healthy Communities

### CORE

#### Healthy Eating

- > Access to healthier food
- > Educate and develop food skills



#### Physical Activity/ Sport/Recreation

- > Access to recreation, sport and physical activity
- > Support active transportation & improve the built environment



#### Tobacco Use/Exposure

- > Access to tobacco free environments and smoking cessation services
- > Educate the public about the risks of tobacco use



### COMPLEMENTARY

#### Substance and Alcohol Misuse

Increase resiliency in youth and adults with respect to alcohol and other drug use.



#### Mental Health

Increase access to mental health prevention and promotion programs and supports.



#### Injury Prevention

Promote safe environments that prevent injury



### VISION

*In communities – where Ontarians live, work and play - health and well-being are enhanced through inter-sectoral collaboration, engaging community leadership, and developing new partnerships, all of which contribute to a new approach to health promotion planning, intervention, evaluation and investment.*

### MISSION

*To facilitate a streamlined, holistic and integrated approach for health promotion and chronic disease prevention that links health promotion action and investment between provincial, regional, and local levels.*

### GOALS

- Improved leadership and vision in health promotion and chronic disease prevention across Ontario communities.
- Improve our province's approach to health promotion by working more efficiently and effectively.
- Align provincial, regional, and local health promotion efforts.

### PRINCIPLES

- Intersectoral partnerships
- Mobilizing communities to effect change
- Grounded in evidence
- Integration
- Sustainability
- Work with priority populations to reduce health inequalities