

City of Hamilton SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Meeting #: 22-03

Date: March 4, 2022

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Due to the COVID-19 and the Closure of City

Hall

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Seniors Advisory Committee

Minutes 22-002
10:00am - 12:00pm
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In Attendance:

Penelope Petrie (Chair), Aref Alshaikhahmed, Sheryl Boblin, Jeanne Mayo, Maureen McKeating, Barry Spinner, Douglas Stone, Marian Toth, Marjorie Wahlman, Ann Elliott, Kamal Jain, Dahlia Petgrave, Carolann Fernandes, David Broom, Sarah Shallwani, Noor Nizam

Also, in Attendance:

Lisa Maychak, Project Manager, Healthy & Safe Communities Department Kim VanderMeulen, Program Secretary, Healthy & Safe Communities Greg Crossley, Coordinator, Community Engagement, Cancer Assistance Program Dusty Vacon, Manager, Annual Giving, Cancer Assistance Program

Absent with Regrets:

Councilor Tom Jackson, Jeanne Mayo, Dahlia Petgrave

Absent:

Barry Spinner, Noor Nizam

1. CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES (Item 1)

Land Acknowledgement presented by A. Alshaikhahmed.

P. Petrie has volunteered to read the Land Acknowledgement at the next meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

 Addition of the resignation received by Senior Advisor member J. Mayo.

(S. Boblin/M. Wahlman)

That the Seniors Advisory Committee approves the February 4, 2022 agenda, as amended.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Not Applicable.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) January 7, 2022 (Item 4.1)

The following changes are to be made to the minutes of January 7, 2022.

- Under Elder Abuse Working Group 7(i)(b), replace wording of "committee's experience" to the "invitee's experience".
- Under Housing Working Group 7(i)(c), indicate the Mohawk College and the Bay Area Climate Change Council have created infographics not programs. And the Home Retro-fit program is not up and running yet in Burlington but is currently waiting for Burlington City Council approval.

(C. Fernandes/A. Elliott)

That the Seniors Advisory Committee approves the January 7, 2022 minutes, as amended.

CARRIED

5. STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 9)

(S. Shallwani/M. Wahlman)

That the following presentation be received:

(i) Greg Crossley, Coordinator, Community Engagement and Dusty Vacan, Manager, Annual Giving of the Cancer Assistance Program respecting services provided to those impacted by cancer in the Hamilton area. (Item 9.1)

G. Crossley and D. Vacan presented to the Seniors Advisory Committee an overview of the Hamilton based Cancer Assistance Program. Information was provided to the committee which included a background on the Cancer Assistance Program (CAP), the many free services available, volunteers, an available educational podcast and the transportation services offered. There is no sign up or membership fee for this program.

Events such as the Care Walk, an on-line silent auction, an Annual Golf classic, 50/50 lottery raffle, as well as the Annual Gala are the held by CAP for fundraising. Third party events are also often held, with proceeds donated to this program. More information on CAP can be found at www.cancerassist.ca. G. Crossley and D. Vacan held a question and answer period for members of the Senior Advisory Committee following the presentation.

CARRIED

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

(i) Working Groups (Item 10.1)

(a) Getting Around Hamilton Working Group

This working group did not meet for the month of January. Member C. Fernandes reported that she has asked Darts to send a report to this group with information on the number of seniors that currently use this service and provided the following information:

- Public Health now allows DARTS to carry 2 passengers per vehicle up from one passenger per vehicle. This will help in lowering the cost per trip.
- DARTS service complaint levels are currently quite low at 2.1 complaints per thousand passenger rides
- Pre-pandemic, DARTS had the lowest cost per trip in Ontario.
- In 2021 DARTS provided almost 300,000 trips which is approximately one third of what would have been delivered if Covid didn't exist.
- With the easing of Covid-related restrictions, it is likely that DARTS will return to pre-pandemic service levels in the next year or so.

(b) Elder Abuse Working Group

M. Wahlman reported that a request from L. Maychak went to the Catholic Family Services to attend and give a presentation to the Elder Abuse Working Group. Catholic Family Services Supervisor, Lina Winship advised this is possible for the upcoming May working group meeting.

In review of the Hamilton Police Services website, "The Be Aware, Take Care" book has been added as a link and the abuse video will be linked soon. A discussion took place and it was determined the website is currently useable and user friendly.

This group had another discussion for the support of distribution of the Elder Abuse presentation made by member A. Alshaikhahmed at January's Senior Advisory meeting. This working group is in favour of supporting distributing this presentation via Senior Advisory Committee and/or by the City of Hamilton website. L. Maychak to consult with communications and the web team on how this could be presented on the Senior Advisory Committee webpage and/or the "Resources for Older Adults" webpage. L. Maychak will report back to this group on her findings.

(c) Housing Working Group

investigated.

M. Toth reported the group met with Laura Ryan, Manager of Family Services from The Neighbour to Neighbour Program, who spoke on rebates available to help reduce senior energy bills.

There is also a Low-income Energy Assistant Program (LEAP) program to help with debt incurred through energy used over the winter months. Neighbour to Neighbor helps process the requests for these rebates for all households in the upper area of Hamilton while the Hamilton Housing Centre helps the lower area of the City. Rebates are given by Alectra Utilities who donate profits for all customer payments. The program currently only supports arrears occurring in the winter and not during the summer, but this is being

A group of McMaster University students have approached Neighbour to Neighbour with an offer to collect donations of fans and air conditioning units to donate to the community.

Members were advised that they can contact Neighbour to Neighbour, who will put them in touch with this group if you have equipment to donate.

The next working group meeting will have guest speaker Sean Botham, Manager of Development, City Housing, City of Hamilton to discuss the building of the first public housing construction with reduce heating and cooling costs in the city.

(d) Communication Working Group

D. Broom reported that this working group's meeting has impacted by the deployment of City staff. L Maychak's absence was due to a temporary deployment to a City Warming Centres during a recent cold advisory alert but has completely returned to her position.

L Maychak will reach out to Chris Dogastino from the Hamilton Public Library to see if he can attend the next working group meeting.

The Senior Advisory brochure is currently still under discussion. Members of this working group have each been given tasks to work on.

211 day is February 11th. L Maychak reported that because this is not a city service the City of Hamilton (COH) cannot advertise as staff will not be able to respond to media inquiries. L Maychak had asked that the city sign be lit up in red to represent 211 day on February 11th but was told February has been designated Black History month and the Hamilton sign will be black at this time.

L. Maychak has been able to connect communications staff from 211 with the COH communications staff and 211's information will be shared on COH social media channels.

(ii) Working Committees (Item 10. 2)

(a) Age Friendly Plan - Governance Committee

A. Elliott was unavailable to give an update at the time of this meeting.

(b) Older Adult Network

There are no updates at this time.

(c) International Day of Older Persons Committee

D. Stone reported that the International Day of Older Persons Committee (IDOP) which is comprised of various community partners is currently planning two webinars; What's Home Care and Seniors vs. Technology. The IDOP committee is also discussing the possibility of a Cable 14 production regarding election issues. The IDOP committee is also hoping to highlight World Elder Abuse Awareness Day taking place, June 15th, 2022 by piggy backing onto promotion and information developed by the National World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

(d) McMaster Institute for Research on Aging

B. Spinner was not present for a report. P. Petrie stated that McMaster Institute for Research on Aging website indicates they are currently looking for volunteers for ongoing studies.

(e) Ontario Health Coalition

C. Fernandes will continue to send the committee email updates through L. Maychak.

(f) Our Future Hamilton Update

There are no updates from this committee.

L. Maychak to follow up and investigate if the new engagement platform is available and to see if this working committee can be updated.

(g) Senior of the Year Award

L. Maychak reported the event is targeted to take place at the end of October 2022 and hopefully will occur in person this year. Nominations are being pushed forward and will be launched the week of April 24, which is National Volunteer Week until the end of June. Event promotion will begin the beginning of September.

8. GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

(i) Council Approval for "Let's Get Walking" workshops

This workshop has currently been approved to be held virtually. Payment to the Hamilton Council on Aging has been approved to handle registrations and advertising.

(ii) Resignation of member J. Mayo

(S. Boblin/ A. Alshaikhahmed)

Due to health issues, member J. Mayo has asked to resign from this committee. L. Maychak to follow up with information of whether a gift can be sent out to J. Mayo from the Senior Advisory Committee budget for her commitment to this committee. J. Mayo's resignation was accepted by the committee but with regrets.

CARRIED

(M. Walhman/D. Broom)

A motion was put forward that the Senior Advisory Committee to request up to \$100 for the purchase of a plant or flowers for member J. Mayo from the Senior Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

(iii) Senior Advisory Committee Membership Update

Members that have resigned or have not attended meetings without notice can be replaced due to a policy change.

Currently this committee has four spaces available that can be filled, and it is understood that clerks is looking to fill these positions. These will not be new recruits but will be filled from the list of those persons that previously applied.

(iii) Hamilton Police Services Resolution

D. Broom updated the committee the resolution has been forwarded to the Hamilton Police Services Board and should proceed at their next meeting on February 18th at 1pm.

(iv) Dahlia Petgrave

(M. Toth/M. Wahlman)

That the Senior Advisory Committee send a card to member D. Petgrave who is currently on a leave of absence from this committee due to medical reasons.

CARRIED

9. ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(M. Wahlman/A. Elliott)

That the Seniors Advisory Committee be adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

CARRIED

Next Meeting: March 4, 2022



HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

Board Members

Pat Mandy, Chair Fred Bennink, Vice Chair Mel Athulathmudali Geordie Elms Jason Farr Tom Jackson Judi Partridge

Kirsten Stevenson, Administrator

February 16, 2022

SENT VIA EMAIL

To: City of Hamilton Mayor and Council

City of Hamilton Seniors Advisory Committee

From: The Hamilton Police Services Board

Re: Follow-Up From City Council Meeting December 15, 2021:

Amendment to Item 9. Seniors Advisory Committee (Emergency & Community Services Committee Report 21-013) – Citizen Committee

Report, respecting Proposed resolution regarding Hamilton Police Service Board and Hamilton Police Services failure to provide adequate and

effective police services in long-term care homes in the City of Hamilton

(Deferred from November 18, 2021) (Item 10.4)

Please be advised the Hamilton Police Services Board (Board) received the above-noted correspondence from the City Clerk's Division on January 21, 2022 with respect to Council approving the following amendment to the Emergency & Community Services Committee's Report 21-013:

- 9. Seniors Advisory Committee Citizen Committee Report, respecting Proposed resolution regarding Hamilton Police Service Board and Hamilton Police Services failure to provide adequate and effective police services in long-term care homes in the City of Hamilton (Deferred from November 18, 2021) (Item 10.4)
 - (b) That Seniors Advisory Committee Citizen Committee Report, respecting Proposed resolution regarding Hamilton Police Service Board and Hamilton Police Services failure to provide adequate and effective police services in long-term care homes in the City of Hamilton, be referred to the Police Services Board.

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As noted in the attached Hamilton Police Service (Service) Report 21-100 "Long Term Care and Retirement Home Investigations", this matter has been addressed on multiple occasions by the Board and the Service. This Report provides an account of legislation relating to deaths in long term care and retirement homes, summary of investigative updates, steps the Service is taking with regards to future investigations as well a summation of Board and Service involvement in addressing this issue dating back to March 5, 2021.

The Board has thoroughly dealt with the subject of long term care and retirement home investigations and as such, is referring this matter back to the City and Seniors Advisory Committee.

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Regards,

Pat Mandy

Chair, Hamilton Police Services Board



HAMILTON POLICE SERVICE INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Chair and Members		
10.	Hamilton Police Services Board		
BOARD MEETING DATE:	ING DATE: September 16, 2021		
SUBJECT:	Long Term Care and Retirement Home Investigations		
REPORT NUMBER:	21-100		
SUBMITTED BY:	Frank Bergen, Chief of Police		
SIGNATURE:	2 Km		

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Under the Retirement Homes Regulatory Act (O.REG 166/11) Sec 15(3) and the Long Term Care Homes Act (O.REG 79/10 Sect 98), retirement and LTC homes are required to immediately notify their jurisdiction's police service of any alleged, suspected or witnessed incidents of abuse or neglect of a resident they suspect may constitute a criminal offence.
- From January 2020 through June 16, 2021, there were 31 deaths at LTC homes in the City of Hamilton investigated by the Coroner's Office. Of these four involved the Hamilton Police Service and none of the four were criminal in nature.
- The Crimes Against Seniors Unit and Coroner's Branch will continue to use Major Case Management and Powercase to organize the investigation and meet on a regular basis. Detectives will continue to focus on locating and interviewing potential witnesses as well as securing evidence.

INFORMATION

BACKGROUND:

COVID-19 has had a profound negative impact especially upon the aging population. This was highlighted locally by the deaths in many of Hamilton's Long Term Care and Retirement Homes.

In December of 2020 the City of Hamilton's Senior Advisory Committee expressed concerns over recent deaths in long-term care homes. A request was made to hear from a police representative to help alleviate the fears and concerns that seniors are facing. The Senior's Advisory Committee was hoping to be addressed by a Hamilton Police Representative at

their February 5th, 2021 meeting but unfortunately the email correspondence was not received until February 24th, 2021.

On March 5th, 2021 Detective Sergeant Darren Murphy attended the Senior Advisory Committee virtually and responded to a number of questions that had been provided.

On April 23rd, 2021 Chief Bergen presented the 2020 Crimes Against Seniors Unit report to the Hamilton Police Services Board. Chief Bergen provided a summary of the Hamilton Police Services responsibility for investigating deaths and abuse at Long Term Care and Retirement Homes in Hamilton.

On May 21st, 2021 The Hamilton Police Services Board received a deputation from Hamilton Senior Advisory Committee member David Broom. The deputation expressed his concern with the Hamilton Police Services apparent lack of investigations regarding care and deaths at Long Term Care and Retirement Homes in Hamilton. A request was made that the Chief report back to the Board at a future meeting to provide a more fulsome comment on care and deaths in Long Term Care and Retirement Homes. Chief Bergen advised that he would be responding with an update to the Police Services Board at a future date.

This report provides an update of the investigative steps pertaining to long term care and retirement homes that have been taken since the May 21st, 2021.

LEGISLATION SUMMARY:

Retirement Homes are governed by the Retirement Homes Act 2010 (RHA) and overseen by the Retirement Home Regulatory Authority (RHRA). Long Term Care (LTC) Homes are regulated and overseen by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care.

Retirement Homes and LTC Homes are required to immediately notify their jurisdiction's police service of any alleged, suspected or witnessed incidents of abuse or neglect of a resident they suspect may constitute a criminal offence. Retirement Homes Regulatory Act (O.REG 166/11) Sec 15(3). Long Term Care Homes Act (Sec 98, O.Reg.79/10).

The Coroner, under the Coroner's Act, investigates incidents of death in a Long Term Care or Retirement Home. If the Coroner believes the death to be suspicious and ought to be investigated, they may request that the local police service assist them in their investigation. Coroners Act Sec 10(2.1).

Long Term Care Homes are required to complete an Institutional Patient Death Record (IPDR) for every death. The IPDR is an eight question form, if any of the answers to the questions are yes, a review and possible investigation is triggered by the Coroner's Office. Deaths at Retirement Homes are investigated by the facilities attending physician and the Coroner's Office is notified if there are any concerns surrounding the death.

INVESTIGATIVE UPDATE:

The Hamilton Police Service investigation into the deaths at Long Term Care Homes is ongoing. The Crimes Against Seniors Unit and the Coroner's Branch of the HPS has met with the Coroner's Office on two occasions to discuss deaths in LTC during the pandemic. The Coroner is currently in the process of collecting the death reports to provide to the Hamilton Police Service to investigate further. The Crimes Against Seniors Unit is also in the process of conducting interviews of witnesses involved in Long Term Care facilities.

- On June 15th, 2021 members from the Hamilton Police Service attended a virtual meeting with Deputy Chief Coroner Reuven Jhirad and Regional Supervising Coroner Karen Schiff. Dr. Jhirad discussed the obligations of LTC and Retirement Homes to report sudden deaths under the Coroner's Act. Dr. Schiff was tasked to provide statistics in relation to deaths at Hamilton Long Term Care Homes investigated by the Office of the Chief Coroner.
- On June 24th, 2021 Dr. Karen Schiff provided information that from Jan 2020-June 16th, 2021 there were 31 deaths at Long Term Care Homes in Hamilton investigated by the Coroners office. Of these cases, four involved the Hamilton Police Service and none of the cases were criminal in nature.
- D/Sgt. Darren Murphy conducted a review of the four cases and none were deemed to be criminal in nature.
- On July 27th, 2021 a request was sent to the Regional Supervising Coroner's Office for information pertaining to 31 deaths in long term care to be reviewed by the Hamilton Police Service.
- On August 18th, 2021 Detective Tim Bower and D/Sgt. Darren MURPHY attended a
 Coroner's Investigations meeting, which involved discussions about Coroner's reports and
 causes of death throughout the Province. In addition, Police Services discussed
 investigative strategies including the use of Major Case Management and Powercase for
 investigations.
- On August 19th, 2021 a second request was made requesting the coroner's reports for the 31 deaths in Hamilton Long Term Care Homes. The Coroner's Office has responded and is in the process of assembling the reports for dissemination to the Hamilton Police Service.

FUTURE INVESTIGATIVE STEPS:

The Crimes Against Seniors Unit and Coroner's Branch will continue to use Major Case Management and Powercase to organize the investigation and meet on a regular basis. Detectives will continue to focus on locating and interviewing potential witnesses. In addition the Ministry of Long Term Care Inspection Reports are being reviewed. Once the Coroner's

reports are received by the Hamilton Police Service the Crimes Against Seniors Unit will review the cases accordingly.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Not applicable

FB/M.Stiller

cc: Ryan Diodati, Deputy Chief - Support

Paul Hamilton, Acting Deputy Chief - Operations

Mark Stiller, Acting Superintendent - Investigative Services

Social Determinants of Health in COVID-19

Seniors Advisory Council Committee March 4, 2022

Sue Connell, Program Manager City of Hamilton-Public Health Services Health Strategy & Health Equity Program



Background

- October 19, 2020-Board of Health (BoH) report (BOH20015)- "Social Determinants of Health in COVID-19"
- Following the report, the Seniors Advisory Council requested a response to these questions:
 - What are the next steps in addressing the inequities faced by vulnerable populations?
 - Have actions already been taken?



Summary of BoH Report Findings (October, 2020)

- Racialized populations, health care workers, older adults, people living in congregate settings and people living with low-income were disproportionately affected by COVID-19 in Hamilton
- The COVID-19 pandemic magnified the impact of Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) and the inequities that have existed in communities for a long time



Actions Taken-SDOH Data Collection

- Hamilton Public Health Services (HPHS) began collecting SDOH data from COVID-19 cases to better understand COVID-19 disease prevalence in the community.
- Understanding if there are inequities in COVID-19 cases and vaccination rates helps create focused interventions to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infection and support vaccine uptake.



SDOH Data Collection

- Public Health Services has collected SDOH data on COVID-19 cases since May 26, 2020. HPHS retrospectively collected SDOH data on cases occurring prior to May 26, 2020.
- There were 2 pauses in data collection in Wave 2
 (January February 2021) and during the
 Omicron wave (starting December 2021) in order
 to ensure all cases and high-risk contacts were
 reached quickly enough to slow virus spread.



SDOH Data Collection

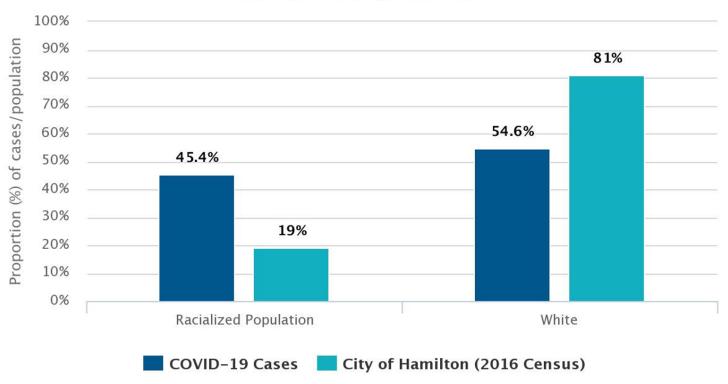
- Data collected includes race, language, household income, household size and Indigenous identity.
- HPHS has analyzed this data for Hamilton's COVID-19 cases at two time points (October 2020, June 2021). The trends presented next have been stable since October 2020.
- Trends in Hamilton's SDOH case data are consistent with trends described by other regions and in provincial reports.



SDOH Data-COVID-19 Cases

Proportion (%) of COVID-19 cases identifying as white or racialized population, City of Hamilton

March 1, 2020 to April 21, 2021

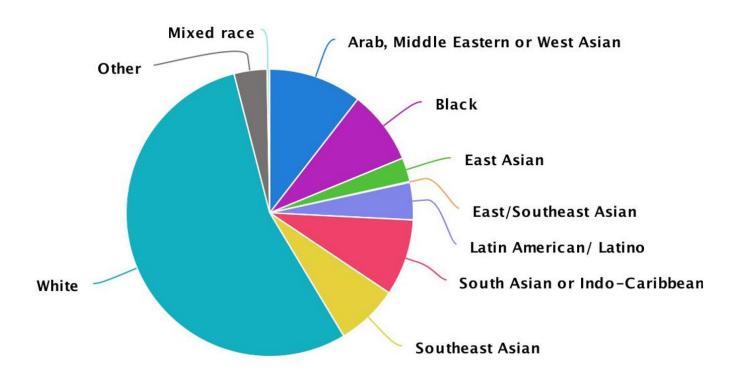




SDOH Data-COVID-19 Cases

Proportion (%) of COVID-19 cases by self-identified racial category, City of Hamilton

March 1, 2020 to April 21, 2021





SDOH Data -COVID-19 Cases

Proportion (%) of COVID-19 cases living in low income households, City of Hamilton

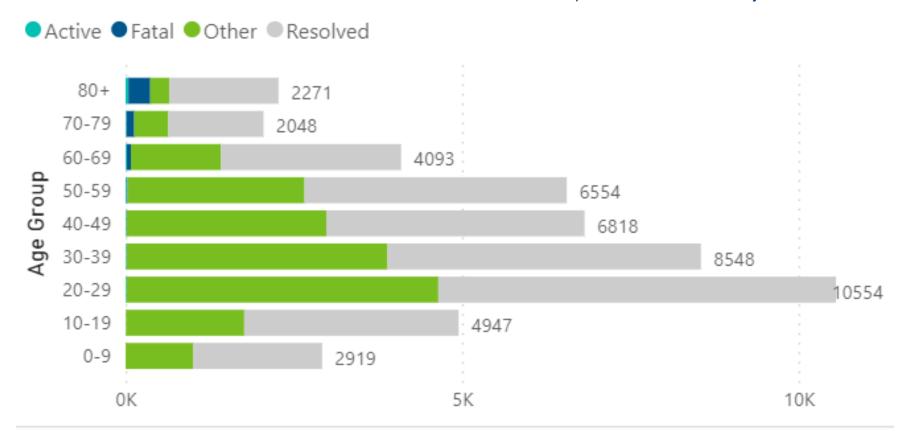
March 1, 2020 to April 21, 2021





COVID 19-Cases by Age Group and Outcome Status

Data retrieved from dashboard on March 2, 2022 and reflects data reported in the last 10 days of this date





SDOH Data-COVID-19 Vaccination

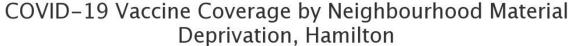
COVID-19 Vaccine Coverage by Neighbourhood Diversity, Hamilton

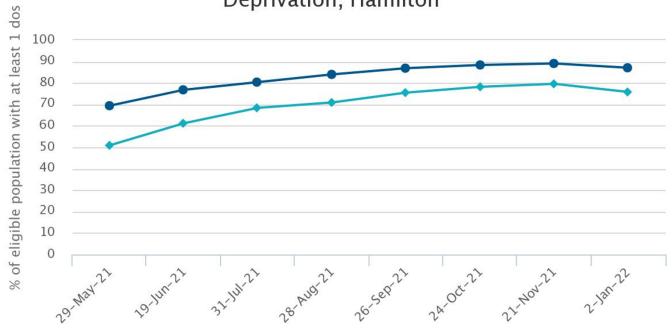


→ Low Diversity Neighbourhoods → High Diversity Neighbourhoods



SDOH Data-COVID-19 Vaccination





- Low Material Deprivation Neighbourhoods
- High Material Deprivation Neighbourhoods



- Data analysis reinforced the need to provide focused outreach for racialized people and those living with low income. This was done through:
 - Vaccine Ambassador program and the vaccine outreach funding for community organizations.
 - Use of data for clinic location selection-vaccine clinics were placed in in locations that are accessible and in or near priority neighbourhoods.
- The closing of the vaccination rate gap between neighbourhoods with the lowest and highest levels of diversity provides evidence that the efforts by community organizations, health care partners, and public health to increase uptake have been successful. Continued effort is needed to increase vaccination rates in lowincome neighbourhoods.



- Delivery of essential supplies (e.g., groceries, medications) to isolated individuals without adequate social supports-this was done in the early stages of the pandemic.
- Consultation and support to Indigenous organizations to establish an Indigenous-led COVID-19 call centre and Indigenous-led vaccine clinics.
- Consultation and support to organizations and leaders to establish community vaccine clinics for Black and racialized people.



- Enhanced infection control support in congregate settings such as residential care facilities, Long-term care and retirement home settings, and temporary farm worker housing.
- Mobile COVID-19 testing and vaccination options in priority neighbourhoods, including homebound options for non-ambulatory residents.



- Vaccination clinic sites with other sites where seniors reside- Long-term care facilities, retirement homes, retirement communities, seniors apartments.
- Support provided to shelters about public health measures to reduce transmission.
- Prioritization of shelter populations for COVID-19 vaccination.



- Designation of two additional "Hot Spot" areas in Hamilton, in addition to the "Hot Spots" defined by the Province.
- The additional "Hot Spots" were selected based on a high incidence of COVID-19 activity and a high proportion of racialized people, Indigenous people or people living with low income.
- Prioritization of Black and racialized people for COVID-19 vaccination, starting with those living in designated "Hot Spots".



- Launch of a Vaccine Ambassador program to provide tailored and focused outreach to racialized communities in Hamilton.
- Funding for vaccine outreach granted to community organizations working with priority populations



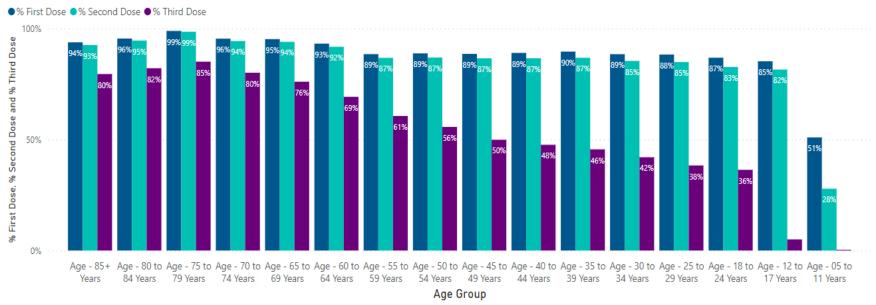
Vaccine Distribution in Hamilton

- Over 1.2 million COVID-19 vaccine doses administered in the City of Hamilton
 - 16,649 doses administered at Long-Term Care Homes*
 - 7,925 doses administered at Retirement Homes*
- Excluding pharmacies, approximately **300** unique clinic locations including large-scale clinics (e.g., FirstOntario Centre, St. Joseph's West 5th), primary care clinics, and mobile clinics at schools, recreational centres, libraries, and other community locations**
 - Mobile clinics have been held at 27 Long-Term Care Homes and 36 Retirement Homes
- Hamilton Paramedic Service has administered 5,796 doses through mobile clinics for homebound individuals
 - Doses administered may include non-homebound individuals who were vaccinated at the same time, and exclude homebound individuals who may have received dose(s) at other locations



Vaccine Coverage in Hamilton

% Vaccinated by Age Group



- As of February 17, 2022, 90.2% of the population aged 12 and older has received at least 1 dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. 87.7% have received at least two doses.
- Vaccine uptake among those 65 and older is high, with nearly 95% (94.8%) having received at least two
 doses of a COVID-19 vaccine. 96% have received at least one dose, and almost 80% (79.8%) have
 received a third dose.
- In total, 284,896 doses have been administered to Hamilton residents aged 65 and older.



QUESTIONS?

Thank You!

For more information, please visit:

www.Hamilton.ca/coronavirus

