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## Have your say, in your services and your future

*The Oxford Master Aging Plan is asking seniors and their families to have a say in local services by attending a focus group this October*

### NEWS

The Oxford County Master Aging Plan is holding focus groups throughout the month of October to ask seniors and their family members what kind of services they need now, and what kind of services they will need in the future.

### TIMES AND LOCATIONS

**Monday October 17**, WOODSTOCK, South Gate Centre, 191 Old Wellington St. S, 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

**Monday, October 17**, TAVISTOCK, The Maples Home for Seniors, 96 William Street, 6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, October 19**, DRUMBO, Maple Grove Seniors Apartments, 43 Oxford St. E, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, October 19**, WOODSTOCK, VON Oxford, 570 Ingersoll Ave, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**Thursday, October 20**, NORWICH, Norwich Library, 10 Tidey Street, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Thursday, October 20**, WOODSTOCK, Woodstock Woodingford Lodge, 300 Juliana Drive, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**Friday, October 21**, TAVISTOCK, Tavistock Missionary Church, 77 Mogk St. N, 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Monday, October 21**, MT. ELGIN, Mount Elgin Community Centre, 333204 Plank Ln. 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, October 25**, EMBRO, Cambro Court Manor, 375629 37<sup>th</sup> Line, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, October 25**, INGERSOLL, Ingersoll Seniors Centre, 250 Ingersoll St. 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, October 26**, TILLSONBURG, The Livingston Centre, 96 Tillson Ave. 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, October 26**, INGERSOLL, Leisureworld Oxford, 263 Wonham Street, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

For a full list of focus group times and locations, visit [www.oxfordmasteragingplan.ca](http://www.oxfordmasteragingplan.ca)

If transportation is required, please contact 519-539-9800, ext. 3425, toll-free 1-800-755-0394.

## QUICK FACTS

- Oxford County has one of the highest proportions of residents aged 50 and over in the province.
- According to Statistics Canada, over the next 10 years the number of seniors living in Oxford County will increase by 38%, growing to one-fifth of the County's population.

## BACKGROUND

The Master Aging Plan is a vehicle for Oxford County seniors to let local service providers, businesses and governments know the services they need now and into the future. It encompasses health care, social services, the built environment, transportation, housing, recreation and other components of a senior-friendly community.

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**ABOUT OXFORD MASTER AGING PLAN.** The Oxford Master Aging Plan is a partnership between seniors and agencies from across the County, including seniors centres, community support services, health services, residential care facilities and others. The project officially launched in July 2011 with a \$41,000 grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) and is sponsored by the United Way of Oxford. For information visit [www.oxfordmasteragingplan.ca](http://www.oxfordmasteragingplan.ca)