

# Affordable Housing for Seniors

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# Valley East Priority Report

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**THE TIME FOR ACTION IS NOW  
DIVIDED, WE FAIL OUR SENIORS**



# Mission Statement

- Valley East Community Action Network Senior Committee has now taken on a new challenge.
- VECAN is providing a voice for many Valley East Seniors facing housing issues today.
- We believe that affordable and quality housing are fundamental rights for all Valley East seniors.
- We believe that the system can be improved.
- We welcome any practical solutions to the problem.
- We invite our civic leaders to move forward on recommendations made in recent reports by various stakeholders.

# Goal

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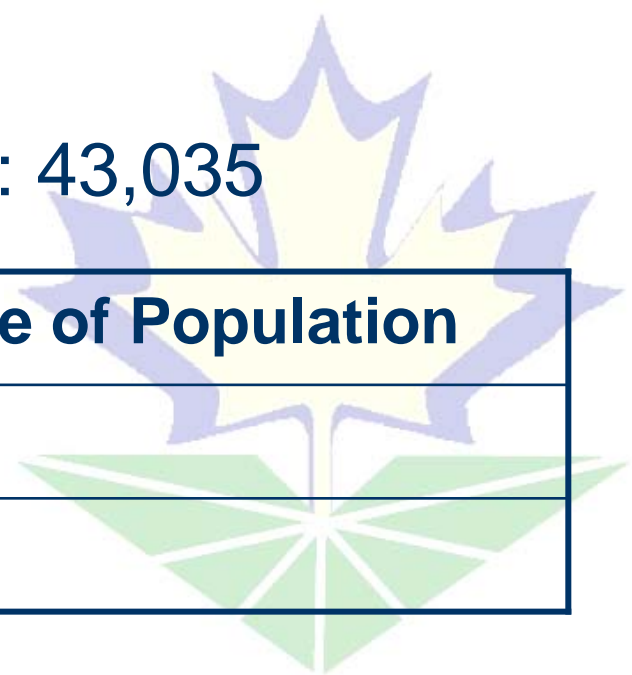
- To encourage municipal leaders to act on senior housing issues in Valley East



# City of Greater Sudbury Statistics

Based on 2006 Census,

- Total population of the City of Greater Sudbury: 157,857
- Total senior population (55+): 43,035



Category	Percentage of Population
Seniors aged 65+	14%
Seniors aged 55+	27%

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- Mayor's Council Committee on Senior Issues
- FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
- Section entitled STRATEGIC DIRECTION:  
Housing Needs
- 36 Month Action Plan to Develop Senior  
Specific Housing Policies and Programs



# SUMMARY REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## “ CHALLENGES OF AGING”

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- The New Horizon for Seniors Program  
by Friendly to Seniors - Sudbury
- Types of Senior Housing Programs  
available in other provinces



# Considerations

- Valley East seniors need Healthy Aging Partnerships, senior groups, and the municipality to partner and to access available governmental capital grants.
- Efforts should be made to ensure that senior citizens remain in this community they call “home”.
- The housing issue needs to be addressed as soon as possible to ward off a major crisis.
- The field on Elmview, next to the library, would be ideal for an assisted living residence.



*Thank you*

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