



CONNECTING SENIORS ACROSS OUR COMMUNITIES



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Community Connections: Bus Driver Solution

When [Collingwood Neighbourhood House](#) was looking for a part-time bus driver, they reached out to Stephanie, our **Seniors on the Move** Project Lead. Coincidentally, [Seniors Services Society](#) reached out to her on the same day with the same request! Stephanie suggested they hire a full-time driver and connected them to each other. A few weeks later, after making some scheduling adjustments, Collingwood and SSS hired a full-time bus driver who can meet the needs of both agencies.

Project Updates

Seniors on the Move presented transportation options to approx. 50 seniors at the West Vancouver Seniors Transportation Forum. Their Driver Licensing Workshop at Silver Harbour drew about 40 people who learned more about the governments' Enhanced Road Assessment. Presenters included **ICBC**, **TransLink**, **HandyDART** and the **City of North Vancouver**. Look for more transit training and driver transitioning workshops in other communities in the new year; we'll post them on the Allies in Aging Event Calendar when they are confirmed.

Volunteer Impact wrapped up their training sessions this month. All in all, they delivered 55 workshops, increasing the capacity of 1,409 volunteers and services providers to reduce seniors' social isolation. They are now focused on getting ready for our upcoming Allies in Aging in Action Conference; details will be posted on our website in early December.

Seniors Hub continues to recruit, train and support volunteers who take on leadership and outreach roles to connect with seniors. Check out their partner story below!

[Check out our website!](#) Learn about projects, access resources, and find training events.

Project Story: Seniors Hub



Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House

"Annabel Chan has been part of our Seniors Hub Advisory Committee from the very beginning. She is an active volunteer who cares for others in the community. Annabel runs the walking pole club, inspiring seniors to stay active and be healthy. She is friendly, kind and is often finding new ways to engage community residents.

This fall, Annabel and a group of volunteers took some of the most fragile seniors from [Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House](#) out to the park for a walk. She scouted several locations before settling on a route that met abilities and made sure to have enough volunteers to pair with senior participants.

Annabel helps us shape initiatives to connect isolated seniors in the community to the organization. When an idea comes to mind, she takes charge. She is a source of inspiration to all of us."

[Note: Submission was lightly edited.]

Upcoming Events



Registration details will be posted on the [Allies in Aging Event Calendar](#) in mid-December.

Allies in Aging collaborates to connect seniors across our communities through leadership, outreach, transportation, training and advocacy.

More than thirty organizations are working together to connect seniors to supports and services. Our focus is on seniors 75+ who are at risk of isolation due to disability, low income, language or cultural barriers.

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Check out the [Allies in Aging Partner Map](#) for a snapshot of partners and programs.

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