



November 19, 2019

His Worship Doug Naish
Mayor of Town of St. Andrews
212 Water Street
St. Andrews, N.B. E5B 1B4

Dear Mayor:

Thank you for your application to the New Brunswick Age-Friendly Recognition Program. I am very pleased to inform you that your application has been successful. Congratulations on this important achievement!

Encouraging communities to become age-friendly is one of the ways the province is working to ensure New Brunswick seniors feel safe, valued and are more engaged in their community. I recognize that the process to become recognized as an age friendly community represents significant investment of effort. You have shown commitment and leadership in becoming an age-friendly community and I am excited to be acknowledging the efforts St. Andrews is making.

The Department would like to begin working with you to plan for the presentation of your age-friendly award. A member of our Communications Team will be following up with you in the coming weeks to initiate these discussions.

The journey toward becoming an Age-Friendly Community requires ongoing commitment and action from the community. As described in Steps 5 and 6 of the Age-friendly Community Recognition Guide, (wellnessnb.ca/resources/age-friendly-recognition-program/) to maintain Age-Friendly Recognition status, communities must demonstrate this ongoing commitment to their age-friendly initiative and action plan *every three years*. Please contact our Provincial and/or Regional Wellness Consultants or our partner in age-friendly community work, l'Association Francophone des Aînés du Nouveau Brunswick (AFANB), for continued support.

An Age-friendly approach strengthens the way communities grow and build for the future. Initiatives to make a community more age friendly will improve the community for all citizens. As such, I want to sincerely thank you for the leadership and ongoing commitment you are showing in this area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Dorothy Shephard", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

K. Dorothy Shephard
Minister of Social Development

c.c. Laurie Young, Provincial Consultant, Wellness Branch

