

Age-Friendly Communities

Creating an age-friendly community means making our towns, neighbourhoods, and local services welcoming, accessible, and supportive for people of all ages - especially older adults.

Age-Friendly Communities:

- Help people stay healthy, active, and independent
- Reduce loneliness and increase social connection
- Improve safety, accessibility, and liveability for everyone
- Strengthen community engagement and local leadership
- Prepare communities for an ageing population

Age-friendly communities don't just support older people, they benefit everyone. By creating environments where people can live well at every age and stage of life, we build stronger, more inclusive, and more resilient communities.

World Health Organization Age Friendly Global Framework

The World Health Organization (WHO) developed a global framework with 8 key domains that help communities plan for healthy and active ageing.



City of Ballarat is a member of the World Health Organisation Global Network for Age Friendly Cities and Communities. Therefore, our current and new Ageing Well in Ballarat Strategy and Action Plan will align with this global framework.

To explore this framework in more detail, visit - [Global age-friendly cities: a guide](#)