

THE LOOP

The Foundation's Quarterly Update



Summer 2026



Entente Foundation invests in the future of aging in place

We are extremely proud to award the largest single grant in the Entente Foundation's history and our greatest accomplishment to date. We have awarded a \$100,000 grant to the project, Providing Older Adult Safety and Independence, led by researchers at Carleton University. This transformative investment reflects the foundation's commitment to advancing innovative solutions that help older adults live safely, confidently, and independently in their own homes—delaying, or even avoiding, the need for long-term care.

This grant was created in response to our members' top priority—aging in place. We are investing in this project and making it a reality because we believe it will deliver the most impactful and tangible benefits to our members and donors.

With our donor's support, we are helping bring cutting-edge aging in place solutions to our members and to all older Canadians. Our grant funding will enable the Carleton research team to build upon and refine their brand-new GPS prototype—an exciting breakthrough with the potential to transform how vulnerable older adults are supported and cared for, at home and outside of the home.

The result will be a discreet, wearable GPS device designed to be worn as a watch or

bracelet that integrates seamlessly into everyday life. Unlike other GPS products, this breakthrough solution will be built with continuous connectivity and an extremely long battery life that remains charged for up to three months. Another innovative feature under development is the ability to charge and maintain the device without having to remove it, ensuring uninterrupted protection.

This project represents more than technological advancement—it represents possibility. Thanks to the grant from the foundation, this state-of-the-art research project is moving from prototype to real-world impact. Breakthroughs like this one offer families and caregivers greater peace of mind, allow older adults to live confidently in their own homes longer, strengthen personal safety, and ultimately save lives.

This grant perfectly illustrates the true purpose and mission of the Entente Foundation: to invest in innovative projects that improve the lives of older adults and help them live with dignity and respect.

[Foundation grant recipient has research paper published](#)

RESEARCH PAPER

What do I want my providers to know?
Co-designing education with older adults living with HIV

We are proud to share the latest journal article from the 2023 Entente Foundation grant recipient, Dr. Kristina Kokorelias, from Sinai Health. This publication shares the importance of strengthening partnerships between primary health care providers and older adults living with HIV.

Read the article here: <https://tinyurl.com/jv3fr4az>
This study was funded by the Entente Foundation through the generosity of foundation donors. Thank you.

The Entente Foundation sheds light on Spring Forum



Thank you to everyone who stopped by the **Entente Foundation booth at Spring Forum**. We enjoyed sharing information about the important work that we do investing in innovative projects to improve the lives of older adults. Our goal is to have positive impact on the lives of all Entente members through the projects we support and the resources we create.

We hope all members to recognize the Foundation as an integral part of their Entente Education Canada experience. We're also pleased that **we were able to provide backup lighting during the power outage with our flashlights just before lunch on the Tuesday**. Looking forward to seeing you all at the Fall Forum.society in which all seniors live with dignity and respect.

Upcoming FREE events: Watch your emails for invitations to register.

Thursday, September 17, 2026
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Presenter: Dr. Jennifer Watt & Mike Ziemerink

Meet the new Entente Education Canada Chair in Geriatric Medicine, Dr. Jennifer Watt. Learn about her impact as a researcher, scientist, and geriatrician, and how her knowledge in the Endowed Chair position will improve the lives of all aging Canadians. Joining the webinar will be Mike Ziemerink, Senior Development Officer from the University of Toronto, who helps monitor and manage the endowed chair position. Mike will share his insights into the position, its purpose, relevance, and impact.



Thursday, November 5, 2026
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Philanthropy trends and the role seniors play in the strength of the sector

Meet a panel of experts from the charitable giving sector as they discuss current fundraising trends and the significant roles seniors have in the health of the charitable sector. Presenters include:

- Bruce MacDonald, President & CEO, Imagine Canada
- Julie Fiorini, General Manager of Charity & Donor Service, CanadaHelps
- Mike Prentice, Executive Director, Entente Foundation

All Entente Foundation webinars can be viewed on the [Entente Education Canada Learning portal](#) or on the [Entente Vimeo](#) page.

A new chapter for the Entente Foundation as we bring their new strategic plan to life

The Entente Foundation is extremely excited about the next three years as we embark on a renewed mission. We will fund, share, and celebrate research, innovation, and community initiatives that build healthy, connected communities engaged in lifelong learning.

[2026 – 2028 Strategic Plan](#)

[Read our new strategic plan.](#) Everything we do reflects our purpose, mission, vision and strategic goals. By 2029, the Entente Foundation will be a recognized national leader in advancing connection, learning and healthy aging through philanthropic giving, evidence-based action, and powerful partnerships.

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