

Check out the Impact!

Students from Harry Ainlay High School and GEF seniors had the unique opportunity to create connections and form meaningful relationships through photography and story telling.



Students from St. Richards Elementary School teach coding and robotics to seniors at Sakaw Terrace through the Grandfriends Program.

More about us

GEF owns several Rendever virtual reality systems. Learn more by scanning the QR code or reaching out.



GEF owns a 16 passenger bus and a 10 passenger van. We can visit you too or meet for field trips in the community!

Do you have students needing volunteer hours?

Explore our volunteer program to see if the Dining Room Greeter role could be an option! It's a wonderful opportunity for students to gain experience and build connections.



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Classroom to Community

Intergenerational opportunities
with GEF Seniors Housing



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About Us

GEF Seniors Housing is the largest non-profit, social housing provider for seniors in Alberta and a registered charity. **Our vision is to create vibrant, affordable communities for seniors.**

We provide housing and supports to functionally independent seniors in apartment and lodge settings across Edmonton in 43 GEF communities.

Why get involved?

We'd love to partner with you on opportunities that bring students and seniors together. These intergenerational experiences not only help reduce isolation for seniors, but also offer students valuable lessons, mentorship opportunities, and a deeper sense of empathy and community.

We believe your school could play a vital role in making intergenerational initiatives a success. Whether through classroom visits, shared projects, or volunteer opportunities, there are many ways to get involved.

Let's Learn Together!

Visits

Bring your class for a memorable visit to one of our GEF Communities! These visits can be **one time or ongoing** and can provide a wide range of interactive and meaningful activities, including:

- Arts and crafts
- Games and shared learning experiences
- Reading and writing practice
- Seasonal celebrations like Christmas, Halloween, and Valentine's Day etc.

Our communities also provide a welcoming space for choirs, dress rehearsals, student presentations, and more.

Projects

Ongoing intergenerational projects offer students the chance to build lasting relationships with seniors through fun, creative, and meaningful experiences. A few examples of what these collaborative programs can look like:

- Pen Pal Programs
- Collaborative Story Writing or Legacy Projects
- Virtual Reality (VR) Exploration

These are just some ideas - we would love to collaborate with you on any ideas you may have!