



The National Pensioners Federation would like to congratulate and welcome the new Minister for Seniors, Filomena Tassi, to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's cabinet.

The National Pensioners Federation has been a longtime advocate for the appointment of a Minister for Seniors. We are looking forward to building a relationship with Minister Tassi and working together on priority issues on behalf of seniors across Canada.

The National Pensioners Federation is a national, not for profit, non-partisan, non-sectarian organization of 350 seniors' chapters, clubs, groups, organizations, and individual supporters. Coast to coast, we are a collective membership of 1,000,000 seniors and retirees devoted entirely to the welfare and best interests of aging Canadians.

Our mission is to stimulate public interest in the welfare of aging Canadians, and help seniors and retirees live a life of dignity, independence, and financial security. We accomplish this through educating our members and the general public on issues such as:

- Pensions
- Housing
- Health Care
- Democracy
- Social Programs
- Elder Abuse
- Transportation
- Affordable Access to Information

In addition to presenting policy position briefs to the federal government based on the resolutions and discussions at our Annual National Convention, we lobby federally for improvements to all things concerning seniors and retired workers. Some of our objectives are:

1. To promote, establish and foster Seniors's Centres (called Clubs or Groups) and Regional and Provincial Seniors's groups throughout Canada.
2. To provide education for persons in the retired and senior citizens age group and other individuals interested in aging, and the status and well-being of seniors.
3. To reach out to seniors who are lonely, isolated, or at risk.
4. To provide programs that promote healthy, active lifestyles for seniors, thus sustaining mental and physical health.
5. To lobby the Canadian federal government to discuss and enact legislation that will provide a safe, economically just lifestyle, which would include adequate housing, health care/pharmacare, transportation, and social inclusion.

The National Pensioners Federation is an organization devoted entirely to the welfare and best interests of Canada's elderly. We applaud the appointment of Minister Tassi, and we hope with Minister Tassi's new position, the ever-growing concerns and pressing matters that affect seniors across Canada every day will be addressed.