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Can a Sprawled City be an Age-friendly City?

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In a context of unprecedented population aging, there is a movement underway in cities across Canada to become more age-friendly. This includes transforming urban environments to make them more accessible to senior citizens. In this presentation, I explore how the drive to create age-friendly environments conflicts with existing trends towards urban sprawl. Based on my research on the age-friendly city program in Toronto, I outline how urban sprawl presents challenges for senior citizens in accessing city space and for urban policy actors to address these problems of access.



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