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**Outstanding**

# Volunteer Douglas Fowles named 2018 Citizen of the Year

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Douglas Fowles doesn't think anybody will ever be able to be as active a volunteer as former Mississauga Mayor Hazel McCallion is—even as she approaches 100 years old—but Fowles would certainly like to try to be.

A Mississauga resident since 1959, Fowles has given back to his community through countless volunteer efforts, and still remains active as a volunteer.

Fowles, a 76-year-old real estate developer, has been named the 2018 Mississauga Citizen of the Year.

"I know how important or gratifying it is. It's such a real honour," said Fowles, who continues to volunteer with Community Living Mississauga among other organizations.

He will receive the Gordon S. Shipp Memorial Award during

the Mississauga Civic Awards ceremony at city hall today.

The award is presented each year by the Mississauga News in partnership with the Mississauga Real Estate Board. It has

been presented, each year since 1980, to residents who have gone out of their way as volunteers to make the community better.

Since 2005, Fowles has volunteered with Community Living Mississauga and served as chair of its Tribute Dinner from 2008 to 2012. Under his leadership, the signature event has raised

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# Citizen of the Year likes to stay busy

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more funds than ever.

Community Living Mississauga provides support to individuals who have intellectual disabilities, so they can live meaningful lives.

Fowles still serves as secretary treasurer of the Hazel McCallion Foundation for the Arts, Culture and Heritage; and as director and treasurer of Legends Row.  
He has known McCal-

lion for many years and admires her work ethic. "The way she keeps going, it kind of looks like I'm doing nothing," he said.

"I think it's just a case of keeping busy. I was at her birthday party in February and she said the reason she keeps working so hard is she doesn't want to get old."

As a volunteer in Mississauga since the early 1970s, Fowles has also served on the Mississau-

ga Board of Trade, Trillium Health Centre building and facilities sub-committee, Living Arts Centre board of directors, Living Arts Centre Foundation, Mississauga Opera Company and the Mayor's Golf Tournament committee.

He also coached minor hockey, football and soccer in Mississauga, and feels a lot of people don't understand how much of a time commitment is required from coaches.

"I don't think a lot of coaches get enough credit for it," he said. "I always enjoyed working with the kids."

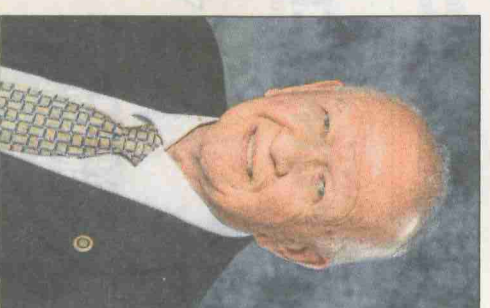
Fowles, president and CEO of Ochiltree Management Inc., says working in real estate is still something that he enjoys, adding that it keeps his mind active and doesn't feel like work.

He has received an Ontario Service Award as well as many awards within Community Liv-

ing Mississauga and a Mississauga Civic Award of Recognition in 2013.

In 2014, he was named a Paul Harris Fellow by the Rotary Club of Mississauga.

Previous recipients of the Mississauga Citizen of the Year include decorated Navy veteran Andrew Irwin, the late Mississauga Ward 1 Councillor Jim Tovery, former Rogers Cable 10 station manager Jake Dheer and anti-poverty activist Edna Toth.



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**Douglas Fowles has been named Mississauga's latest Citizen of the Year**