Membership Application

To join the **AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities** and the **World Health Organization Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities**

- If you have questions while completing this form, please email livable@aarp.org or call 202-434-2430
- If you need additional space for answering the questions you may add an additional sheet of paper.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DATE: 5/26/2016

**Section 1: COMMUNITY DETAILS**
NAME OF THE COMMUNITY: City of Hollywood/Elder Grant

STATE: Florida

POPULATION SIZE: 140,768

PERCENTAGE OF RESIDENTS ABOVE THE AGE OF 60: 21%

NAME AND TITLE OF THE ELECTED OFFICIAL SIGNING THE OFFICIAL COMMITMENT: Mayor Peter Bober

OFFICE ADDRESS OF THE SIGNER: 2600 Hollywood Blvd Hollywood, FL 33020

**Section 2: COMMUNITY CONTACT FOR THE AARP NETWORK OF AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES**
The community contact is the local staff member or volunteer who is primarily responsible for carrying out the community-level work — it is not the responsible AARP staff member.

Please describe the named person’s role in the city or community’s age-friendly initiative:

The Elder Grant Coordinator plans and executes recreational events and cultural activities to stimulate a greater fellowship among the senior community.
Section 3: COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, ENGAGEMENTS and COLLABORATIONS

1) Please provide a brief summary of the community policies, programs and services that are targeted toward older people and how the community plans to become more age-friendly.

Recreation creates an outlet for socialization and fellowship which helps to decrease loneliness and depression. Recreation allows seniors who would otherwise be isolated to become re-connected with their community. The City of Hollywood offers an Elder Grant program which provides enrichment classes, cultural trips, fitness programs and recreational activities, at no cost to the participants. It also helps foster friendships, offers new experiences and increases longevity.

2) How will the community engage and involve older people in the process of becoming a more age-friendly?

Satisfaction surveys are distributed among the participants to gauge their level of satisfaction of events being offered and to obtain feedback on what programs and events could be offered to better service their needs.

3) Briefly describe the mechanisms the community has or is planning to put in place to facilitate collaborative planning and implementation between different agencies and departments.

A rapport has been established with neighboring communities and senior social service organizations to help assess and plan activities and events. Also, the Elder Grant Volunteer Task Force offers suggestions to the Elder Grant Coordinator whom then meets with the Program Supervisor and department manager to discuss programming.
Section 4: NETWORK MEMBERSHIP

Your answers to the following questions will help us complete your membership in the global age-friendly network and better enable us to understand how to support the network.

4) How do you hope to contribute to the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities and the World Health Organization Global Network of Age-Friendly Communities?

By continuing to provide quality recreational and cultural activities for the senior population in the City of Hollywood at a free or reduced cost.

5) What motivated your community to join the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities and the World Health Organization Global Network of Age-Friendly Communities?

To provide seniors with unique opportunities to come together and fellowship. To introduce new friendships and foster positive relationships within the senior population.

6) Please provide a digital file or link of a logo or other image that represents your community.

The image resolution should be at least 72 dpi. As an example of an image, here’s ours >

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