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: 11/18/2016

Section 1: COMMUNITY DETAILS
NAME OF THE COMMUNITY: North Yarmouth

STATE: Maine

POPULATION SIZE: 4010

PERCENTAGE OF RESIDENTS ABOVE THE AGE OF 60: 15%

NAME AND TITLE OF THE ELECTED OFFICIAL SIGNING THE OFFICIAL COMMITMENT: Rosemary E. Roy, Town Manager - Authorized by the Select Board of North Yarmouth

OFFICE ADDRESS OF THE SIGNER: 10 Village Square Road, North Yarmouth, ME  04097

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:

Town Manager responsible for the implementation and oversight of the aging in place community volunteer program.
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.

Currently there are no set policies or programs that focus on aging residents. However, we are hoping to implement a tax break program for seniors to begin with fiscal year 2018, we hope to work with SMAA in the future by providing a regular coordinator for NY to enhance the program of Aging in Place, exploring Paramedicine services is also on the list of possible programs, and of course initiating the Aging in Place organization.

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

Community engagement with older citizens has already begun in the organization of the Aging in Place committee. North Yarmouth is in the very beginnings of the process. Outreach to the older citizens is at the top priority list. It is expected this will grow over the time through creating our own programs and assistance measures.

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.

Select Board support, community volunteers, SMAA Coordinator, Department Heads and Town Manager, other Town communities, social media, website and newsletters (digital & paper).
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 sharing are own discoveries and program successes (networking).

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?

The AARP network was highly recommended by the Southern Maine Agency on Aging; very impressed with the high participation of Maine cities and town; assistance in getting North Yarmouth started with a survey process and offering assistance in this new program for the town.

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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