



## 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@aarpp.org](mailto:livable@aarpp.org).
- If you need additional space for answering the questions you may add an additional sheet of paper.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DATE: 8/11/2017

### Section 1: COMMUNITY DETAILS

**NAME OF THE COMMUNITY:** City of Sunnyvale

**STATE:** California

**POPULATION SIZE:** 149,831

**PERCENTAGE OF RESIDENTS ABOVE THE AGE OF 60:** 15.80

**NAME AND TITLE OF THE ELECTED OFFICIAL SIGNING THE OFFICIAL COMMITMENT:** Glenn Hendricks, Mayor

**OFFICE ADDRESS OF THE SIGNER:** City of Sunnyvale 456 West Olive Avenue Sunnyvale, CA 94086

### 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.

[Redacted contact information]

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

Facilitate and coordinate City's age-friendly initiatives.

### **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.**

The City provides a wide range of accessible, high quality arts and recreation services, facilities and programs to enhance the well-being of the diverse and changing Sunnyvale community. City policies include these specific references: General Plan Goal CC-10 High-Quality Recreation Programming CC-10.5 Develop and implement programs in order to meet the developmental and social needs of specific targeted populations (e.g., youth, teens, seniors, disabled). General Plan Policy HE-5.3 Continue to address the special housing needs of seniors through provision of affordable housing, and housing-related services. Council Policy 5.1.3 Human Services. The City, therefore, shall make its best efforts to provide supplemental human services, which include but are not limited to the emergency services, senior services, disabled services, family services and youth services. Council Long-Term Advocacy Position 1.1(5) Enhance the mobility of the growing senior population. The Department of Library and Community Services provides a wide range of programs, resources and opportunities to enrich the lives of those who live, work, play and learn in Sunnyvale. The Department offers recreational and social activities for all ages as well as older adult services at the Senior Center. Senior Center's mission is to encourage physical, mental and emotional health, independence and socialization among adults ages 50+. The center features: fitness room; computer lab; recreation and intergenerational programs; lunch; drop-in activities; trip program; health services; lifelong learning and Care Management Services. The Senior Center creates an environment where relationships are created and enhanced. Sunnyvale is committed to continuous improvement in its responsiveness to age-friendly needs through ongoing outreach and community engagement with the Senior Advisory Committee (Senior Center), through its board, commission and Council meetings, and through surveys and focus groups.

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

Community engagement and outreach will be implemented through the following strategies/actions: 1) Community surveys and assessments; 2) Focus group meetings with community members and agencies serving older adults; 3) Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings; 4) Senior Advisory Committee Meetings Establish an age friendly task force consisting of residents, agency partners and city staff to engage and involve older adults from the community in the process.

**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.**

1) Establish an age-friendly task force to review/recommend age friendly practices and/or programs; 2) Identify community agencies, businesses and organizations for engagement in the City's efforts towards creating a more age-friendly community.

#### 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?

Identify and implement "best practices" in program and service delivery to the older adult community; Work with community partners to increase older adult access to evidence-based programs citywide; Improve the ability of older adults to maintain and improve their health and wellness through the placement of fitness equipment in Sunnyvale Parks; Serve as a resource to network members

#### 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?

Support City's efforts to continually provide programs and services for the entire community; and support Santa County's initiative - "Age Friendly Silicon Valley" with the goal of all 15 cities in the County become active members of the Global Network of Age Friendly Cities and Communities (GNAFCC).

#### 6) Please provide a digital (JPG, PNG or PDF) 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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