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.
- If you need additional space for answering the questions you may add an additional sheet of paper.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DATE: 7/10/2018

Section 1: COMMUNITY DETAILS

NAME OF THE COMMUNITY: City of Pompano Beach

STATE: Florida

POPULATION SIZE: 109,441

PERCENTAGE OF RESIDENTS ABOVE THE AGE OF 60: 24,130 (62+ years old)

NAME AND TITLE OF THE ELECTED OFFICIAL SIGNING THE OFFICIAL COMMITMENT: Lamar Fisher, Mayor

OFFICE ADDRESS OF THE SIGNER: 100 W. Atlantic Boulevard, Pompano Beach, FL 33060

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:

Brian Donovan oversees the City’s Development Services, Engineering, Parks and Recreation, and Strategic Planning Departments. Each department plays a major role in the execution of the age-friendly initiatives as they relate to outdoor spaces and buildings, transportation, social participation, civic participation and employment.
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 of Pompano Beach Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Department currently offers a wide variety of programming and activities geared toward the senior citizen population. One of the City’s objectives is to have quality, affordable housing options for all family generations, including senior housing. The City is currently working with a developer to develop a 100 unit 55+ Age Restricted Rental Community, at least 80 percent of which must include residents over the age of 55. There is also a second 116 unit development under construction with the property to be marketed and leased to households where at least one family member is 55 or older. In addition to the housing initiatives listed above, programs include, but are not limited to, a Senior Citizen Program which meets five days a week with transportation to and from the facility, A Winter Concert Series which features artists of generations past, aquatherapy and water aerobics programming, senior card games, and Health Fairs throughout the year that are free and open to the public. The City of Pompano Beach also offers a community bus program, free of charge, with various stops and destinations within the limits of the City. In order to become more age-friendly and encourage the active engagement of the senior citizen population, the City has funding and plans to build a stand alone Senior Center solely dedicated to senior programming. Additionally, the City is in the process of developing a volunteer program that will allow seniors to become more actively engaged in their community. Further, the City has adopted a Complete Streets manual that is intended to ensure all users experience a safe, functional, and visually appealing environment while traveling safely and conveniently on and across all surface roadways in Pompano Beach. This manual includes standards for well-designed pedestrian, bicycle, and transit accommodations. The City strives to adhere to this policy in all new development and redevelopment. The complete streets principals have additionally been incorporated into the City’s Transit Oriented Corridor street design requirements, as well as in the design of many city streets throughout the city.

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

The City will take a proactive approach by identifying the needs and desires of the senior population through surveys, focus groups, and community forums. As aforementioned, the City is also in the process of establishing a volunteer program and building a stand alone facility for senior programming and events. The senior facility will be conviently located, accessible, and will feature an array of affordable activities to appeal to a diverse and aging population. The City is also coordinating with the CEO of one its largest retirement communities in order to tap into its resources.

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.
The City of Pompano Beach currently partners with Broward County Transit to provide free community bus routes throughout the City of Pompano Beach. The bus makes frequent stops at popular senior destinations including recreational facilities, grocery stores, libraries, hospitals, and the post office. The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Department also partners with AARP to provide monthly safe driving courses to the seniors along with various seminars throughout the year. Health Fairs frequently take place at the recreational facilities which feature health and wellness check ups provided by local healthcare professionals.
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?

The City of Pompano Beach welcomes the opportunity to contribute and become part of the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities by recognizing the need for age inclusiveness and accessibility in all aspects of community life and will take a proactive approach to meet the needs and desires of the senior citizen population. This will be accomplished through the strategic planning process, capital improvement projects, on-going initiatives, and membership within the Organization as we strive to work within the eight domains of livability established by AARP.

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 City of Pompano Beach recognizes its diverse and aging population and is dedicated to ensuring that our resident’s live in a community that is viable, sustainable, and inclusive to all. Membership into the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities and the World Health Organization Global Network of Age-Friendly Communities will further reinforce this commitment.

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 >

Provided electronically.