



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

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DATE: 3/1/2018

Section 1: COMMUNITY DETAILS

NAME OF THE COMMUNITY: City of Quincy

STATE: Massachusetts

POPULATION SIZE: 90,000

PERCENTAGE OF RESIDENTS ABOVE THE AGE OF 60: 21%

NAME AND TITLE OF THE ELECTED OFFICIAL SIGNING THE OFFICIAL COMMITMENT: Thomas P. Koch, Mayor

OFFICE ADDRESS OF THE SIGNER: 1503 Hancock Street, Quincy, Ma 02169

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.

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

Mr. Clasby has been with the Department of Elder Service for the past 20 years, serving as Director for the past 18 years. During his tenure the city implemented its Trans Van program which provides transportation to the city's elder population for non-medical excursions such as shopping, hairdresser, barber shops, lunch visits etc. Additionally, he is overseeing the augmentation of the city's medical transportation program which has a fleet of 10 vehicles. He is the President of the advisory board to the Massachusetts State Secretary of Elder Affairs. Director Clasby also serves as an officer on the Elder Housing Corporation Board of Directors.

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 for its elder population an extensive transportation programs as well as weekday operation of the Kennedy Center which is its senior center. This includes programs on nutrition, health education, exercise, computer class, health screenings, discussion groups, seminars, legal advice, socialization etc.

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

The city will continue its efforts to engage its older population with periodic surveys and discussion groups held at the Kennedy Center and in various locations throughout the city. Also the utilization of Quincy access television, The Quincy Sun weekly newspaper and our monthly newsletter which is distributed throughout the city.

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 Department of Elder Services/Council on Aging has already implemented a citywide Dementia Friendly Quincy as well as a Elder Abuse Prevention Project. Both of these projects work with multiple agencies and city departments such as South Shore elder services, Quincy Chamber of Commerce, many local businesses, City of Quincy's Health Department, Police Department, Fire Department, South Shore Mental Health, Manet Community Health, Quincy Community Action Programs, Greater Boston Elderly Legal Services, the Quincy Housing Authority and many more.

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?

We hope to serve as a conduit to AARP and the World Health Organization global network of Age Friendly Communities. We also hope to solicit ideas from the elder population of this city to see what services or activities they would like to have. Additionally we also plan to periodically analyze what is working and what needs work. It is our hope that we can pass on the information to other communities through AARP as to what has been successful for us.

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?

AARP has an impeccable reputation for identifying and meeting the needs of seniors. In the past we have used materials provided by AARP which have proved to be very helpful. It is a partnership that makes sense.

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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