



Membership Application

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

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

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DATE: *Click here to enter a date.*

Section 1: COMMUNITY DETAILS

NAME OF THE COMMUNITY: Town of Ogunquit

STATE: Maine

POPULATION SIZE: 1189

PERCENTAGE OF RESIDENTS ABOVE THE AGE OF 60: 48.4%

NAME AND TITLE OF THE ELECTED OFFICIAL SIGNING THE OFFICIAL COMMITMENT: Charles L. Waite, III,
Chair, Select Board

OFFICE ADDRESS OF THE SIGNER: 23 School Street (physical address) PO Box 875 (mailing address) Ogunquit, Maine
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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:

Charley LaFlamme is the Chair of the Bike-Ped Committee. The mission of the Bike-Ped committee works well with the values of the AARP NAFC so the Bike-Ped Committee was the group that championed Ogunquit joining the NAFC. For now, the Bike-Ped Committee is taking on the role of overseeing the age-friendly planning process in Ogunquit. However, the plan is to appoint an ad-hoc committee to conduct the survey after we have been accepted into the NAFC. Charley has agreed to chair that committee when it is formed.

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.

Ogunquit is working to increase its walkability and bikability. The town is a tourist and retirement destination. Ogunquit's Marginal Way is one of the first accessible ocean-view walkways in Maine. We have worked to develop a town that will be welcoming of people of all abilities, to make it a friendlier place to visit and to make a permanent home. Current challenges are attracting younger families and developing workforce housing.

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

Most of the members of the bike-ped committee are 60+. With 48% of the town's population 60+ and the oldest median age of any town in Maine, we will not have a hard time finding older people to participate in the committee or to volunteer after we have completed the assessment. The challenge will be engaging younger people. We believe that the bike-ped committee connection will be a tremendous help in that area.

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.

We are planning to follow the model of other age-friendly communities in Maine and will be inviting each town department, local service groups, and regional aging providers to attend meetings of the age-friendly committee. Our goal is to involve them in creating the assessment so that we can easily tap into the resources they have when we identify needed changes.

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?

Ogunquit is an older community, retirement destination and tourist mecca. We expect to learn from similar communities and to share what we have learned. We will participate in the regional and state-wide peer network created by AARP Maine

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?

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Click here to add a link to where we can find your logo. Or, send us your logo by email attachment to livable@aarp.org.

6) Please provide a digital (JPG, PNG or PDF) file of your community.

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