



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: 5/16/2018

Section 1: COMMUNITY DETAILS

NAME OF THE COMMUNITY: TOWN OF LIVINGSTON

STATE: TN

POPULATION SIZE: 4,119 TOWN OF LIVINGSTON 22,661 OVERTON COUNTY

PERCENTAGE OF RESIDENTS ABOVE THE AGE OF 60: 25.2 % TOWN OF LIVINGSTON 26.8% OVERTON COUNTY

NAME AND TITLE OF THE ELECTED OFFICIAL SIGNING THE OFFICIAL COMMITMENT: WILLIAM CURTIS HAYES,
MAYOR OF LIVINGSTON

OFFICE ADDRESS OF THE SIGNER: 301 MCHENRY CIRCLE, LIVINGSTON, TN 38570

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:

MY ROLE AS I SEE IT...IS TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITY FRIENDLY TO EVERYONE. FOR OUR OLDER POPULATION, I DEVELOP PROGRAMS AND EVENTS THAT I FEEL THEY CAN BE INVOLVED IN AND ENJOY, AS WELL AS, AID THEM IN IMPROVING THEIR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING ... INCLUDING TAI CHI CLASSES, MOVIES AT THE PARK, HEALTHY LIVING INITIATIVES, WALKING EVENTS/ATTRACTIONS, ETC.

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.

WE CURRENTLY OFFER ASSISTED LIVING HOUSING, AS WELL AS SUBSIDIZED HOUSING. WE CURRENTLY ARE IMPROVING OUR STREETS AND SIDEWALKS TO MAKE THEM MORE SAFE FOR ALL USERS. WE OFFER SEVERAL DIFFERENT EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR INCLUDING DANCES AT THE AMERICAN LEGION BUILDING, LITTLE FREE LIBRARIES, STORY WALKS, TAI CHI CLASSES, & FAMILY CONSUMER EDUCATION GROUPS. OUR SENIOR CENTER OFFERS ADULT DAY CARE, YOGA, TRIPS, AND MORE. WE ALSO HAVE A UCARTS BUS SERVICE WHICH WILL TAKE YOU TO THE DOCTOR, GET YOUR GROCERIES, PAY BILLS, AND MORE FOR JUST A FEW DOLLARS. WE ALSO BUILT A NEW CENTRAL PARK IN DOWNTOWN LIVINGSTON WHERE YOU CAN ATTEND MOVIES, CONCERTS, WALK, EXERCISE EQUIPMENT, AND MORE. WE HAVE A FARMERS' MARKET DOWNTOWN WHICH MAKES IT ACCESSIBLE FOR EVERYONE.

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

WE SEEK OUT AND HAVE A WIDE VARIETY OF SENIORS INVOLVED IN OUR COMMUNITY PLANNING SESSIONS. WE ACTIVELY WANT THEIR ADVICE. THEY SERVE ON OUR PLANNING BOARDS, CITY COUNCIL, COUNTY COMMISSION, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE, SENIOR CENTER BOARD, EVENTS COMMITTEE, AND SO MUCH MORE...WE BELIEVE ALL AGE GROUPS SHOULD HAVE INPUT INTO WHAT OUR COMMUNITY WILL BE DOING TO MAKE IT BETTER FOR EVERYONE. WE HAVE A SENIORS DAY DURING OUR FAIR EACH YEAR. THE EVENTS THAT WE ENGAGE THEM INCLUDE FALL-O-WEEN IN LIVINGSTON, CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY, OVERTON COUNTY CRUISE-IN, OVERTON COUNTY FAIR, AND SO MUCH MORE...

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 HAVE A JOINT ECONOMIC & DEVELOPMENT BOARD WHO MEETS QUARTERLY TO PLAN/IMPLEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE FUTURE. WE INCLUDE REPRESENTATION FROM ALL SECTORS OF THE COMMUNITY INCLUDING CITY GOVERNMENT, COUNTY GOVERNMENT, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, UT EXTENSION, INDUSTRY, POLICE, HOSPITAL, SCHOOL SYSTEM, HEALTH DEPARTMENT, HOUSING DEPARTMENT, AND PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS. THIS GROUP ESSENTIALLY SERVES AS A "BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE" FOR LIVINGSTON.

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 MAKING OUR COMMUNITY A DESIGNATED AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY WHERE PEOPLE WILL FEEL THEY ARE SAFE, CLOSE TO GREAT HEALTHCARE, HAVE SOMETHING TO DO, ENJOY LIFE, AND THEIR NEEDS MATTER! WE HOPE THAT OUR EXPERIENCES IN STRENGTHENING OUR AGE-FRIENDLY COMMITMENT CAN SERVE AS AN EXAMPLE FOR OTHER SMALLER RURAL COMMUNITIES IN THE STATE.

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?

TO PROMOTE OUR REGION AS A HEALTHY PLACE TO LIVE FOR THE 50+ TO MOVE, LIVE, QUALITY OF LIFE...IN THE MANNER THEY CHOOSE. WE WANT TO PREPARE NOW FOR THE REST OF THE 21ST CENTURY.




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6) Please provide a digital (JPG, PNG or PDF) file of your community. Membership Application: AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities – Page 3

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