

ATTACHMENT TO AARP MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

SECTION 1: COMMUNITY DETAILS

CITY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA

FEBRUARY 1, 2020

POPULATION: 333,063, 28% OVER 60 (91,932)

OFFICIALS: MAYOR WILLIAM R. ("RUSTY") BAILEY III; AL ZELINKA, CITY MANAGER

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SECTION 2: COMMUNITY CONTACT



I HAVE BEEN A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION ON AGING SINCE 2015. OUR MISSION IS TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR RIVERSIDE CITIZENS. WE STUDY ISSUES PARTICULARLY RELEVANT TO OLDER ADULTS AND WE IDENTIFY PROGRAMS AND PRACTICES TO RECOMMEND TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR IMPLEMENTATION. THE COMMISSION HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY ACTIVE IN PROMOTING DEMENTIA-AWARENESS.

SECTION 3: COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, ETC.

1) THE CITY HAS 11 COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTERS OPERATED BY THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT PROVIDING A COMPREHENSIVE MENU OF ACTIVITIES, CLASSES, EVENTS FOR PEOPLE 55 AND OVER.

THE CITY IS ALSO ENGAGED THROUGH ITS GENERAL PLAN AND HOUSING AUTHORITY IN DEVELOPING ACCESSIBLE AND AFFORDABLE SENIOR HOUSING, AS WELL AS TRANSPORTATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES.

2) THE COMMISSION, COORDINATING WITH THE CITY, PLANS TO INVOLVE OLDER PEOPLE IN ITS PLANNING PROCESSES THROUGH ITS SENIOR CENTERS, CHURCHES, CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS, AARP, SENIOR SERVICE PROVIDERS, COMMUNITY EVENTS, AND LOCAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, ESPECIALLY UCR AND ITS SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY.

3) THE MAYOR'S OFFICE, THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT, AND THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT WILL DEVELOP AND ESTABLISH PLANS TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF OLDER PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY IN THE AREA OF SUITABLE HOUSING.

SECTION 4: NETWORK MEMBERSHIP

4) AND 5)

THE CITY AND THE COMMISSION SEEK TO PARTNER WITH AARP AND THE WHO BECAUSE WE PERCEIVE THEY OFFER A WELL-CRAFTED PROGRAM THAT WILL HELP US DEFINE AND IMPLEMENT OUR GOALS TO PROMOTE LIVABILITY AND AN AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY IN RIVERSIDE. OUR GEOGRAPHY AND INFRASTRUCTURE, THE LEVEL OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, THE PROXIMITY TO UCR AND OTHER COLLEGES, OUR PRESENT HOUSING STOCK, AND OUR COMMITMENT TO THE ARTS AND EDUCATION ARE ALL STRENGTHS THAT WILL ALLOW US TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE AARP AND THE WHO INITIATIVE.

6) AN ATTACHMENT WITH THE CITY'S LOGO WILL BE PROVIDED SEPARATELY.