



## Town of Barre

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AARP Massachusetts  
State Director Mike Festa  
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Dear Mr. Festa,

On behalf of the Town of Barre, Massachusetts, I am pleased to offer this letter of or ongoing commitment to creating an age-friendly environment in our community. We are excited to join AARP's Age Friendly Community Network. Barre is committed to becoming a livable community to promote health and sustainable growth and contribute to the well-being of citizens in all stages of life.

As a participant in the AARP Age Friendly Community program, it is the intent of the Town of Barre to:

- To improve the housing options in the community
- To offer transportation and meet the needs of those in the community
- To educate business owners and municipal employees on what to look for/how to help those with dementia/sign and symptoms
- To have sidewalks installed/improved within the community
- To inform those visiting the community that we are an age and dementia friendly community by having signage installed at all access road into the community
- To identify available space within the community to offer a social day program
- To establish a social day program
- To look at outreach options and set up a program for student/interns to visit shut-ins within the community

We look forward to working with the AARP Massachusetts staff, members and volunteers to make our town a place where we can all age with dignity.

Sincerely,

Andrew M. Golas,  
Town Administrator