Miami Valley Age-Friendly Communities









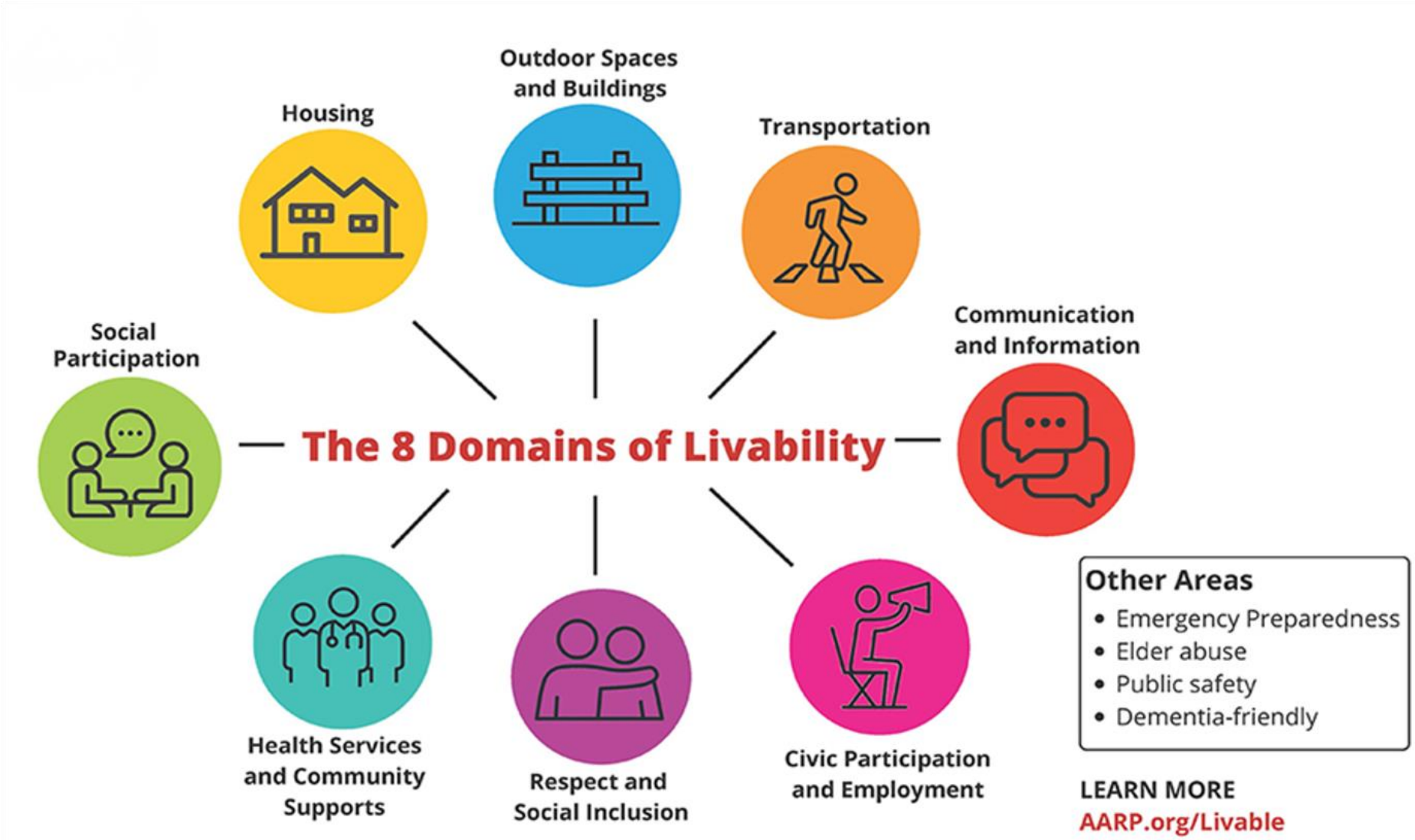
Your Community can be Age-Friendly, Too!

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INSTITUTE FOR LIVABLE & EQUITABLE COMMUNITIES


AGING:
SO COOL
EVERYBODY IS
DOING IT!

What is Age-Friendly?

…a catalyst to educate local leaders … and encourage them to implement the types of changes that ***make communities more livable for people of all ages, especially older adults.***



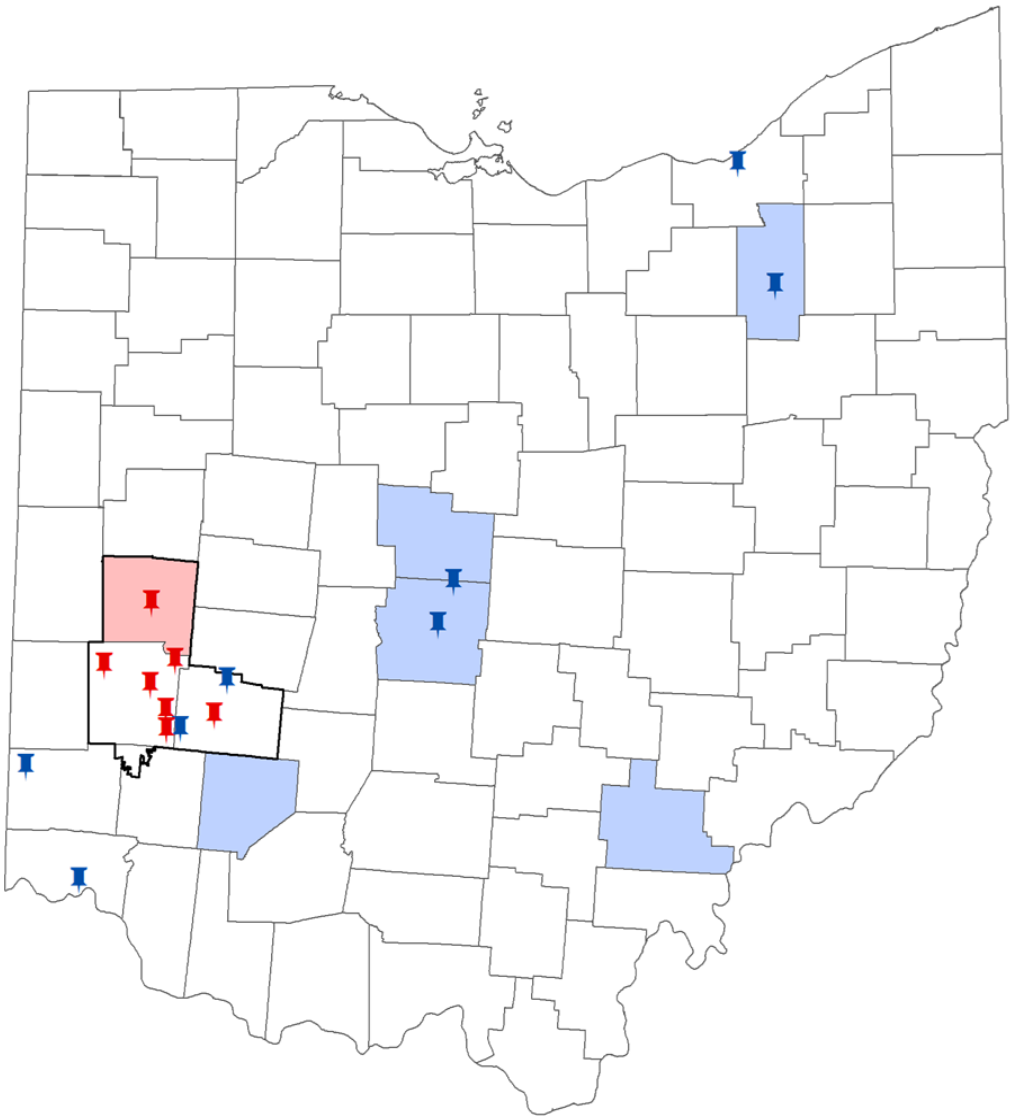
Why become an Age-Friendly Community?

- Benefits all ages & abilities
- Your community is getting older
  - 35% of the population is over the age of 50
  - https://datastories.aarp.org/the-lived-experience-of-adults-50-plus/population-statistics/index.html
- Become more attractive to businesses
- Ensure strong local tax base
  - $0.56 of every dollar is spent by people 50 years and over
  - https://www.aarp.org/pri/topics/work-finances-retirement/economics-aging/longevity-economy-outlook/
  - 70% of disposable income is held by people 60 and over." (Michael W. Hodin, CEO of Global Coalition on Aging.)
- Maintain active, valuable volunteer cadre

Plus, you'll be in really good company!

Miami Valley Age-Friendly Cohort

1. Miami County
2. Harrison Twp
3. Washington Twp
4. Beavercreek
5. Beavercreek Twp
6. Bellbrook
7. Brookville
8. Centerville
9. Dayton
10. Huber Heights
11. Jefferson Twp
12. Kettering
13. Trotwood
14. Vandalia
15. Xenia
16. Xenia Twp
17. Yellow Springs



Coalition of Age-Friendly Communities Ohio

- Athens County
- Clinton County
- Delaware County
- Franklin County
- Summit County
- Akron
- Cleveland
- Columbus
- Cincinnati
- Oxford
- Westerville
- …and others

https://states.aarp.org/ohio/age-friendly-ohio

AARP Age-Friendly Communities Designation Process

Enrollment – AARP Age- Friendly States & Communities

Year 1: Conduct a survey And/Or listening sessions

Year 2: Create an action plan

Years 3-5: Implementation

Year 5: Progress /status update

Money

- The Dayton Foundation, DelMar Health Fund
- Grants for needs assessment, and Action Plan Implementation…
- ***…As you just witnessed***



Minimal staff effort…
Use your free, in-house consultant!

- The Age Friendly Encore Fellow…
- Main Job: *help to make your plan a success!*



Resources

❑ **Apply to join the AARP network:**
https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/network-age-friendly-communities/info-2014/sample-letters.html

❑ **Check out AARP resources:**

- Age-Friendly Network Training Videos: https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/network-age-friendly-communities/age-friendly-training-videos/
- Guide Books: https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/tool-kits-resources/info-2017/roadmap-to-livability-collection.html
- Livability Index Score: https://livabilityindex.aarp.org/

❑ **Review survey options:**
https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/info-2014/aarp-community-survey-questionnaire.html

To summarize…

- ***The question may be, Why wouldn't a community want in on this?***



You're Invited

Age-Friendly Network Meeting

Date: **Wednesday, November 19, 2025**

Time: **10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

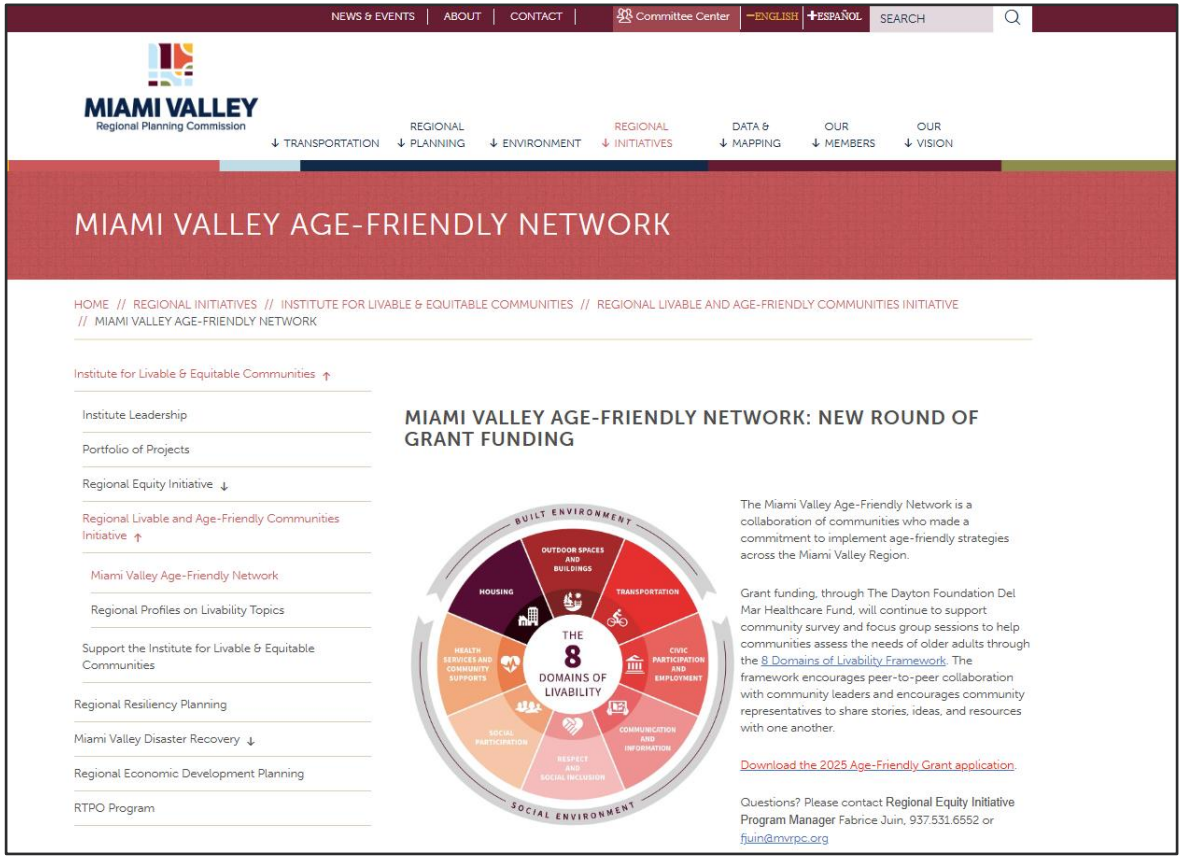
Location: **Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

At this meeting, we will welcome two new Age-Friendly Communities to the Network! Our discussion theme for the day will center around drafting action plans and how our members are implementing the identified action steps.

Scan with Camera to register

https://www.mvrpc.org/miami-valley-age-friendly-network-meeting-registration

Questions?



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