



# **Age-Friendly Communities Funding Opportunity**

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- Ten MVRPC member organizations will receive **\$10,000 grants** from the **DMH-Dayton Fund at The Dayton Foundation** to pursue AARP Age-Friendly Communities designation.
- AARP Age-Friendly Communities designation is a multi-year planning effort focused on recognizing and enhancing age-friendly, livable aspects in your community.
- Grant funds targeted for community survey, research, data analysis and technical assistance for the creation of an action plan for age-friendly livable community initiatives.
- Recipients will also receive assistance with team formation, stakeholders, volunteers and technical assistance for planning components.



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## **To be Eligible, Your Organization Must:**

- Be an MVRPC member agency and an eligible tax exempt public agency.
- Make a commitment to becoming a designated age-friendly community by joining the AARP/World Health Organization (WHO) Network of Age-Friendly States & Communities.
- Have or be committed to developing a diversity/inclusion policy (Please note, in most cases, this is different from a non-discrimination policy).
- Demonstrate collaboration with stakeholder and key community partners aligned with each of the domains.



# Funding Opportunity Timeline

- Proposal information available at [www.mvrpc.org/regional-initiatives/miami-valley-age-friendly-network/age-friendly-communities-funding-opportunity](http://www.mvrpc.org/regional-initiatives/miami-valley-age-friendly-network/age-friendly-communities-funding-opportunity)
- Proposals must be complete and submitted on or before the due date to be considered.
- Submission deadlines are as follows:

Proposal Deadline	Decision Date	Grant Period
March 15, 2022	April 15, 2022	Start: May 1, 2022 End : April 30, 2023



# Miami Valley Age-Friendly Cohort

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- Representatives from the funded communities will form the **Miami Valley Age-Friendly Cohort**.
- Cohort will **meet monthly, via Zoom**.
- The first step for all funded communities will be making the commitment to become a designated age-friendly community by joining the [AARP/World Health Organization \(WHO\) Network of Age-Friendly States & Communities](#)
- Additional funding opportunities for steps in the Age-Friendly Communities designation process may be available to members of the cohort.



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- The Age-Friendly Communities Initiative is a component of MVRPC's Institute for Livable & Equitable Communities.
- In addition to this funding & cohort opportunity, we also host the Miami Valley Age-Friendly Network. This is a quarterly informational meeting focused on ways that organizations and communities can make their communities more livable and age-friendly. It is open to anyone in our region, and is a great option for communities who are interested in becoming more age-friendly but yet able to commit to full participation in the AARP designation.
- For more information about the Age-Friendly Communities Funding Opportunity or the Miami Valley Age-Friendly Network, please contact Leigh Sempeles at [lsempeles@mvrpc.org](mailto:lsempeles@mvrpc.org).

