



AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY STATUS UPDATE

Village of Arlington Heights, Illinois



Presentation Agenda

Village Business Plan Goal-Age Friendly Community Status

Background on project

AARP Survey

Implementation

Collection

Results

Next Steps

Recommendation

Action Plan

Implementation





BACKGROUND



Strategic Priority #9:

Find New Ways to Embrace Diversity within the Community and the Village Government

Health & Human Services Age Friendly
Community Certification

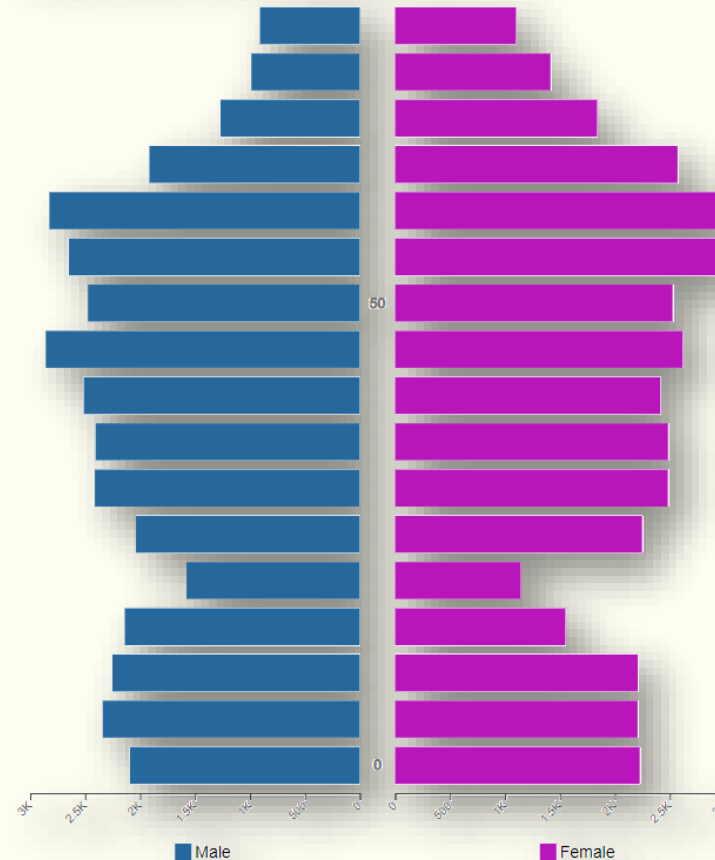
Assess the existing services, programs and facilities and make recommendations about which ones require improvement, replacement or elimination.



Background:

- Growth of 60+ population
- 11.1% in 2010 to 17.8% in 2050.
- The 65+ age group will more than double, from 917,616 in 2010 to 1,866,215 in 2050

Arlington Heights Population Pyramid 2020



Arlington Heights Median Age

44.1 42.2 46.1



Arlington Heights Adults

There are 59,767 adults, (15,084 of whom are seniors) in Arlington Heights.

Arlington Heights Age Dependency

69.5 Age Dependency Ratio

33.8 Old Age Dependency Ratio

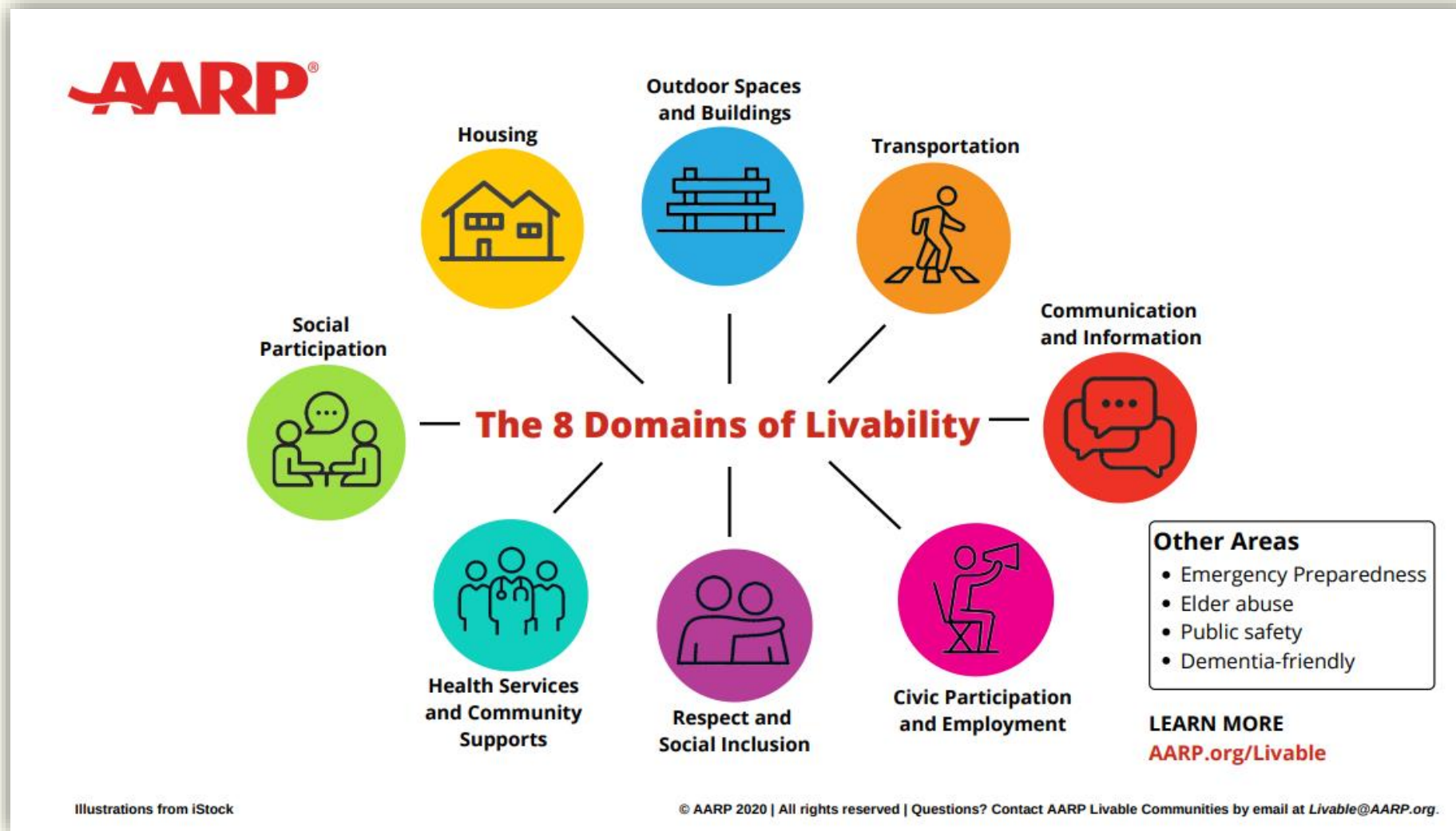
35.7 Child Dependency Ratio

Arlington Heights Sex Ratio

Female 39,069 51.59%

Male 36,655 48.41%

AARP Network of Livable Communities (ALCN)



2017 Applied for Age-Friendly Community Designation

The Letter of Commitment

While there is flexibility in how this document can be worded, the following items must be addressed in a Letter of Commitment that is signed by the community's highest elected leader.

1. Establishing mechanisms to involve older people
2. A baseline assessment of the age-friendliness of the community
3. The development of a community-wide action plan based on the findings of the assessment
4. Identification of indicators so progress can be monitored against the action plan



2018 Steering Committee Formed

- Volunteers
- Senior Citizens' Commissioners
- Senior Center Tenant Agencies
- Village Staff
- Local Township Staff
- Business Leaders
- Other Local Government Representatives



2019 AARP Age-Friendly Online Community Survey

For ONLINE Survey; contact
AARP

https://www.aarp.org/content/dam/aarp/livable-communities/livable-documents/documents-2019/NAFSC-2019-research-survey-request-form.pdf?Q_SurveyVersionID=current&Q_CHL=preview

Template Directly Addresses 8
Domains of Livability

No Additional Questions Related
to your Municipality



The image shows a survey form titled "AARP Livable Communities Great Places for All Ages". The form is tilted and contains the following sections:

- AARP Logo:** AARP Real Possibilities
- Livable Communities:** Great Places for All Ages
- Survey Information:** Survey of _____ in _____ AREA OF THE SURVEY
- DESCRIPTION OF THE SAMPLE GROUP**
- YOUR COMMUNITY**
- 1. How would you rate your community as a place for people to live as they age? (This would be the geographical location where your home is located. A community can be located within a city or town or county.)**
 - Excellent
 - Very good
 - Good
 - Fair
 - Poor
- 2. What is the name of your community?** _____
- 3. What is your 5-digit ZIP code?**
- 4. How long have you lived in this community?**
 - Less than 5 years
 - 5 years but less than 15 years
 - 15 years but less than 25 years
 - 25 years but less than 35 years
 - 35 years but less than 45 years
 - 45 years or more
- 5. How long have you lived in your county?**
 - 5 years or less
 - 5 years but less than 15 years
 - 15 years but less than 25 years
 - 25 years but less than 35 years
 - 35 years but less than 45 years
 - 45 years or more
- 6. Some people reside in places outside of their state for part of the year. Which of the following describes how you reside in in your state? [CHECK ONLY ONE]**
 - Year round, do not reside anywhere outside of [THE SURVEY AREA]

SURVEY COLLECTION



COLLECTION



Village of
ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
Illinois

- Online Format
- October 20, 2019-November 24, 2019
- 880 Surveys Completed
- Ages 45+
- All Arlington Heights Residents



DEMOGRAPHICS

30.6% were age 45 to 55;

29% aged 56 to 65

27% aged 66 to 75

12.1% aged 76 and over

72% of responses identified as married

50% were employed full, or part-time

44% are retired

75% reported an income of \$75,000 or more.



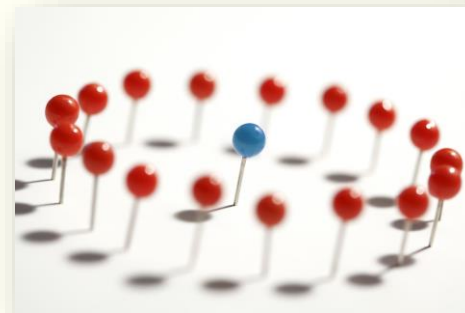


PRIORITY OUTCOMES



Priority Outcomes

1. Access to Safe Affordable Housing
2. Increase Affordable Transportation Options
3. Central Source of Community Information
4. Increase Use of Senior Center Activities
5. Access to Affordable Home Health Care Providers
6. Install Audio/Visual Pedestrian Crossings
7. Job Opportunities for Older Adults and Those with Disabilities
8. Civic Activities that are More Affordable
9. Create Separate Pathways for Bikes vs. Pedestrians
10. Involving Older Adults in School Events



Access to Safe Affordable Housing

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7 OF THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL CODE

WHEREAS, at a public meeting on September 9, 2019, the President and Board of Trustees, meeting as a Committee-of-the-Whole, discussed a series of recommendations regarding refining Arlington Heights Affordable Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting, the Village Board directed the preparation of an Inclusionary Housing Ordinance which was subsequently researched and a draft provided for further discussion and revision by the Housing Commission and Committee-of-the-Whole; and

WHEREAS, at the Village Board meeting on July 20, 2020, the Village Board voted in favor of the recommendation of the Committee-of-the-Whole to approve an Inclusionary Housing Ordinance,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS:

SECTION ONE: That Chapter 7, Other Village Government Provisions, of the Arlington Heights Municipal Code, is hereby amended by adding Article XVII, Inclusionary Housing Ordinance, which shall read as follows:

Article XVII Inclusionary Housing Ordinance

Section 7-1701 Purpose. The purpose of this Article is to promote the public health, safety, and welfare by encouraging high quality housing throughout the Village sufficient to meet the needs of all Arlington Heights residents. The Village may adopt administrative guidelines to assist in the effective implementation of this Article.

While this Article provides alternatives to the production of on-site affordable units, the preference of this Article is to provide permanent affordable dwelling units that are constructed on the site of all Covered Development Projects. Affordable dwelling units created pursuant to this Article shall remain affordable in perpetuity. All cash payments received pursuant to this Article shall be deposited into the Village's Affordable Housing Trust Fund. Effective January 1, 2021, the fee-in-lieu amounts and linkage fees shall be adjusted in January of each year by the annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) for the Chicago-Elgin-Naperville area.

Section 7-1702 Definitions. For purposes of this Article, the following definitions shall apply:

able Dwelling Unit or Attainable Housing. Decent, safe, sanitary, and appropriate households below median income can own or rent without having to devote of their gross income to monthly housing expenses.

Increase Affordable Transportation Options

TOWNSHIP

WHEELING TOWNSHIP DIAL-A-RIDE BUS

- Wheeling Township Residents Only
- Within Wheeling Township
- Age 60 and Over or 18 and over with a permanent disability
- Monday through Friday 9:00am to 3:30pm
- Fee of \$2.00 each way
- Pre-registration required
- Advance Reservations Needed: 847-259-7743, 2 business days minimum
- [wheelingtowship.com/services](http://www.wheelingtowship.com/services)
- <http://www.wheelingtowship.com/Senior-Disability-Services>

WHEELING TOWNSHIP MEDICAL VAN

- Wheeling Township Residents only
- Health care appointments within Township
- Monday through Friday 9:00am to 3:30pm
- Fee of \$2.00 per ride within Township. Medical vans travel to the Northwest Community Hospital and immediate surrounding doctors offices.
- Pre-registration Required: 847-259-7743
- Minimum 10 days in advance, but can be made up to 30 days in advance.
- <http://www.wheelingtowship.com/Senior-Disability-Services>

ELK GROVE TOWNSHIP DIAL-A-RIDE

- Elk Grove Township Residents Only
- Persons Over age 55; disabled persons over the age of 18
- Monday through Friday, 9:30 - 3:00
- Door to Door
- No fixed Charge — Voluntary Donation
- Pick Ups from 10:30 am until 1:00 pm
- Call for information on set destination schedules.
- Pre-registration required.
- Advance Reservations: 847-437-0300
- <http://elkgrovetowship.com/senior/>

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

PACE/RTA REDUCED FAIR/FREE

- **Free rides** for low income seniors age 65 and over, on fixed bus routes & trains. Must be enrolled in the Benefit Access Program administered by the Illinois Department on Aging at www.illinois.gov/aging (benefit access) or 312-913-3110 for more information.
- **Reduced fare** for seniors age 65 and over
- **Permit Needed**
- Register at Arlington Heights Senior Center or Wheeling Township or
- PACE 550 W. Algonquin in Arlington Heights Telephone: 847-364-7223
- RTA Travel Info: 847-836-7000
- pacebus.com

ADA- PARATRANSIT

- Special Services for Individuals with disabilities
- Townships: Wheeling, Elk Grove, Barrington, Hanover, Maine, Palatine and Schaumburg
- Must qualify: To request an application call: 312-663-4357
- or for more information 800-606-1282
- pacebus.com/paratransit
- \$3.00 per one way trip



MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION

TOWNSHIP RIDERS INITIATIVE PROGRAM

- Age 60 and over or persons with disabilities over age 18; **for medical purpose only**
- You must pre-register. Pre-registration can take up to 14 days.
- Wheeling Township 847-259-7743
- Elk Grove Township 847-437-0300
- Cross Townships lines, not duplicating existing services
- Travel area: Townships of Elk Grove, Wheeling, Hanover, Maine, Barrington, Palatine, Schaumburg; Stroger Cook County Hospital, Hines VA Hospital & VA Hospital in Elgin
- Cost: \$5.00 per township line; \$10.00 maximum one-way. \$20 maximum round-trip

NORTHWEST COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE COURTESY VAN

- To or from hospital campus for covered services, (Doctor appointments are not considered covered—check first to see if your service is covered.)
- 24 hour notice: 847-618-6480
- Monday through Friday, 7:00am to 6:00pm
- Boundaries: North-Route 22; South-Elgin O'Hare/Thorndale; East-I-294; West-Route 59
- Eligible patients: \$5.00 one-way

ALEXIAN BROTHERS M. C. SPIRIT VAN

- Try to limit service to the elderly
- Ambulatory Services-campus medical care
- Boundaries: East-Elmhurst Rd.; West-Springinguth Rd; North-Kirchoff Rd; South-Army Trail Rd
- Monday-Friday: 7:30am-4:00pm/\$4.00 one way
- Reservations: minimum 24 hours notice, 847-228-6394, one week notice preferred

ESCORTED TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

- Boundaries: North-Lake Cook Rd; South-Biesterfield; East-Greenwood; West-Barrington
- Medical and Dental Purposes only
- Age 60+ Must be able to get in/out of vehicle.
- Escort remains with rider
- Round Trip Donation: \$12.00; may be \$24.00 if outside of boundaries
- Must be registered. Reserve one week prior.
- Reservations by appointment: 847-222-9227

Central Source of Community Information

Access to Information

Respondents were asked where they would go to find information or resources for older adults for caregiving, meals, home repair, and transportation.

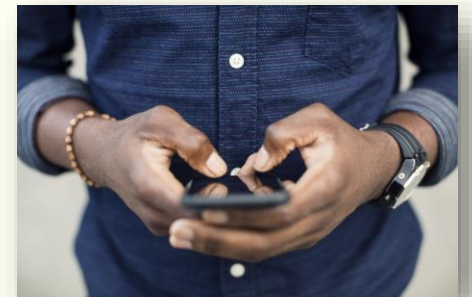
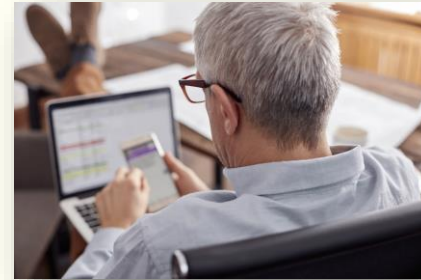
84% stated they would contact the Senior Center:

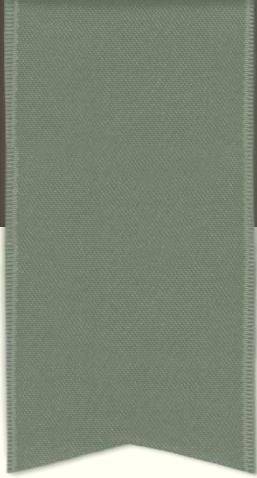
94% said family or friends

80% would ask a health care provider

80% would look on the internet.

Access to information as a one referral source rated between good to poor. Clear signage needs improvement, as well as information in multiple languages.



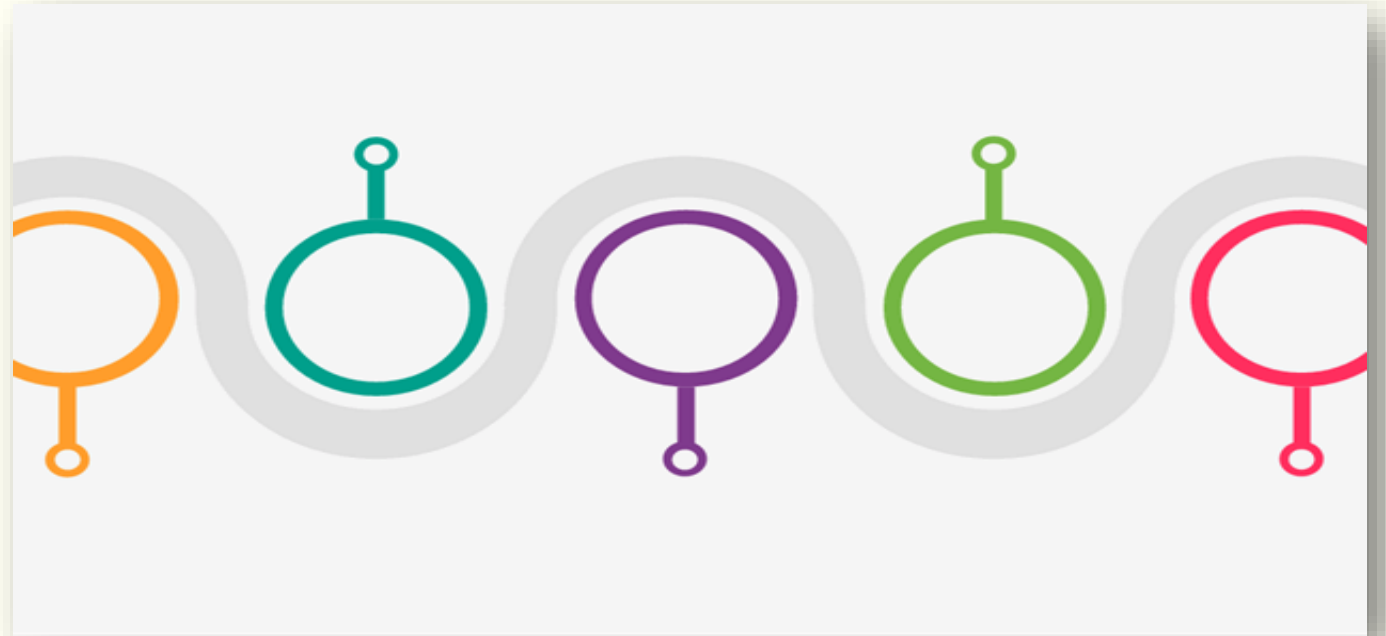


NEXT STEPS



Recommendations

- Create Action Plan
- Central Source of Information
- Collaborate with Community Resources
- Assess Programs and Services
- Create Accessible Database
- Train Employees
- Market Plan





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