Livable Communities: Creating Great Places for People of All Ages

October 27, 2015
Eagan Community Center
1501 Central Pkwy, Eagan, MN 55121
8:00 AM – 12:30 PM

AGENDA

I. Welcome and Introduction of Keynote
   8:00-8:10
   Dawn Simonson, Executive Director, Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging
   Will Phillips, State Director, AARP Minnesota

II. Keynote
    8:10-9:00
    Jana Lynott, Sr. Strategic Policy Advisor, AARP Public Policy Institute

III. Breakouts
    9:15-10:15

IV. Breakouts (repeated)
    10:30-11:30

V. Grab lunch
    11:30-11:45

VI. Endnote
    11:45-12:30
    Introduction by Jim Scheibel, AARP MN State President
    Keynote by Frank Cownie, Mayor of Des Moines, Iowa

VII. Conclusion
     12:30
     Mike Slavik, MAAA Board Member & Dakota County Commissioner

For more information on the MAAA Lifetime Communities Learning and Action Collaborative, find this symbol on a name badge and a participant can tell you more!

This event has been sponsored jointly by AARP Minnesota and the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging. For more information, please visit www.aarp.org/mn and www.metroaging.org.
Breakout Sessions

**Riding the Age Wave: Demographics & Opportunity**
What do the data tell us about the challenges and opportunities of creating livable communities? This session outlines what we can do with the changing demographics including interpreting data and finding data beyond Census numbers.

- Andi Egbert (MN Demographic Center)
- Kelly Clausen (Hennepin County)
- Moderated by Kate Houston (Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging)

**Getting around Town: Making Vital Connections**
Transportation is a vital link that connects people to social activity, economic opportunity, and community services. Older adults in particular need transportation options that allow them to get to the places and services that support their independence. This session addresses the issue of getting around and connecting in communities.

- Susie Johnson (ITN Twin Cities)
- Jess Luce (Dakota County/West Saint Paul)
- Moderated by Dave Fink (Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging)

**Housing for a Lifetime**
Housing is the linchpin of well-being and is inextricably connected to quality of life, financial security, and health. The availability of affordable, suitable and accessible housing options is also critical to achieving what the vast majority of Americans want – to stay in their homes as they age. This session focuses on creative and emerging models and policies designed to expand and create accessible and affordable housing options.

- Blair Ferguson (Beyond Barriers)
- Jesse Lammi and John Louiselle (NextDoorHousing)
- Brian Lloyd (City of Roseville)
- Moderated by Nan Just (Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging)

**Leading the Way on Livability: City and County Roles**
Policymakers, citizens and advocates at the local level have important roles to play in designing and maintaining – and at times retrofitting – communities so that they are places where residents of all ages, including older residents, can participate fully. This session focuses on the role of local government in creating communities that enhance personal independence; allow residents to age in place; and foster residents’ engagement in community.

- Katy Boone (Carver County)
- Ben Landhauser (City of Victoria)
- Sara Lopez (Minneapolis Ward 8), Lacy Shelby (City of Minneapolis), Deeba Sirdar (Minneapolis Ward 8)
- Moderated by Jim Scheibel (AARP MN State President)