



Library Director
Allison Griffin

October 25, 2017

Board of Trustees

Lori Parham
State Director, AARP

Sheila Bourque
President

Dear Lori,

Paul Cullinan
Vice-President

Enclosed in this packet is the completed application to join the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities. The Town of Raymond is excited to begin the process of promoting policies to make our town friendly to its aging population.

Leigh Walker
Treasurer

Janet Walker
Secretary

The effort is being supported by the library (an independent nonprofit) providing a communication platform (web, email etc.) to the project. We have formed a citizen driven task force of 35-40 town residents, nonprofit officials, service providers and Town staff who are committed to ensuring our aging residents have access to the resources to be active, healthy, independent and integrated into the life of our community.

Kim Allen

Mark Jordan

Nick Hardy

Our citizen driven initiative is committed to:

- 1) The active engagement of older adults in the taskforce. We have already had four meetings;
- 2) Continuing to engage the Town; Our Town select board voted unanimously to support this effort at their September public meeting; Raymond's Town Manager attends our task force meetings;
- 3) Establishing action plans based on assessment results to respond to the needs identified by older adults in our Town
- 4) Establishing measurement activities, reviewing action plan outcomes and publishing the results publicly.

The cooperative effort of our community in this effort is exciting and challenging. Our Task Force is meeting this afternoon to establish a steering committee and are looking forward to developing its assessment.

Sincerely,

President