



Town of Goffstown

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June 8th, 2018

Mr. Todd C. Fahey, J.D.
State Director
AARP New Hampshire
45 South Main Street, Suite 202
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: Membership Application to join the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities

Dear Mr. Fahey,


On behalf of the Goffstown Board of Selectmen, I would like to express our desire to enroll in the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities.

We are part of a pilot Becoming Age-Friendly program with the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission that conducted a community assessment early last year regarding transportation, recreation, housing, and business and economic development. The Town has recently made significant investment in our transportation network, as well as recreational options and social engagement. The on-demand bus service program with the Manchester Transit Authority has been successful and the ongoing Main Street construction and recent rail trail project improve pedestrian safety and mobility.

The challenge ahead will be to incorporate future connectivity between neighborhoods and points of interest, as well as the expansion of the bus service program to improve mobility for all ages. Another important issue for our current and prospective residents is the availability of affordable housing. New multifamily housing projects are under consideration, but infill development could present opportunities for the widest range of demographics, as well as enabling accessory dwelling units. Finally, the town is due for a community master plan revision, so this effort comes at opportune time.

In closing, we wish to thank you and the selection committee for your assistance to date. We welcome the opportunity to be part of the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities, and continue to make Goffstown a livable community for all ages!

Sincerely,


Adam Jacobs, Town Administrator
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