



Age-friendly Esbjerg

On behalf of the municipality of Esbjerg I am pleased to write to you today to express our ongoing commitment to creating an age-friendly environment throughout the entire municipality and to request membership to the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities.

. Esbjerg Municipality is one of the largest in Denmark. It is a beacon of growth and opportunities in West Denmark. Esbjerg, the fifth biggest city in Denmark and also known as the country's Energy Metropolis is an international and thriving city with sport and culture on high-level. The Municipality also contains a number of charming villages and towns including Ribe, the oldest town in Scandinavia, and The Wadden Sea a UNESCO World Heritage site surrounds the entire Municipality.

The Municipality of Esbjerg is a front mover on ensuring age friendly services to the citizens as well as contributing to civic life with the purpose of supporting our community where the citizens can remain healthy and age safely.

In the Municipality of Esbjerg we have a strong framework to build on in addressing the eight factors that influence the ability to ensure healthy and active ageing. In the administration, we work hard to complete our mission to improve the quality of life for all citizens and promote a healthy and active lifestyle for all generations. We see great value in WHO's network for Age Friendly cities and we wish to inspire and be inspired to create Age Friendly practices that foster age friendliness and empower the citizens.

We look forward to working together with the Administration Center, local business, NGO's and the citizens of Esbjerg Municipality in actively pursuing age friendly initiatives committed to ensuring the opportunity to live a healthy and active life.

Sincerely,

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