

Village of Mount Prospect
Press Release

VILLAGE SEEKING RESIDENT INPUT FOR AGING IN COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

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The Village of Mount Prospect is seeking community input to assist with their Aging in Community initiative. The Village's Age Friendly Task Force is conducting a survey, asking for feedback from residents 55 years and older to better understand the needs and wants of older adults and those nearing retirement in our community.

Aging in Community was identified as a high priority in the Village's 2019 strategic plan. To date, the Village has conducted focus groups with residents ages 55+, applied for and been accepted into the AARP Network of Age Friendly States and Communities, and convened a task force. Our Age Friendly task force will be working to formulate a three-year action plan based on input from both residents and community partners and stakeholders. Surveys are available in both paper and electronic form – complete the survey online at www.mountprospect.org/agingincommunity. If you prefer a paper copy, contact the Human Services Department to receive one, or stop in to pick one up. Surveys are available in English and Spanish – if residents need to complete the survey in another language, call 847-870-5680 for assistance.

An Aging in Community kick off community event is scheduled for November 4th from 10 am- 12 pm in the Farley Community Room at Village Hall, 50 S. Emerson Street. Come learn more about this important initiative and the services and activities available for older adults in Mount Prospect. Space is limited so call (847) 870-5680 to reserve a spot!

Also save the date for December 1, when the Village, with support from the RRF Foundation for Aging, will host a workshop designed to provide strategic guidance and to receive input and ideas from residents 55 years of age and older. The workshop will be led by Chicago-based aging in community specialist, Brad Winick, of consulting firm Planning/Aging. Information and ideas obtained will be used when developing a three-year action plan to support aging in community in Mount Prospect going forward. The Village was selected as one of five municipalities in the 2021 cohort for the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus "Aging in a Changing Region" program. This workshop will be held on December 1 from 6-8 pm at Village Hall. Space is limited. To register please contact the Human Services Department at (847) 870-5680.

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