

2020 CONNECTICUT LIVABLE COMMUNITIES GRANT

Request for Grant Proposals

BACKGROUND

AARP is a national social impact non-profit organization that empowers people age 50+ to choose how they live as they age. AARP Connecticut's state office is located in Hartford. We lead positive social change and deliver value to the 50+ population, including our members, through information, advocacy, and service.

AARP CT will evaluate grant requests from Connecticut 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) nonprofit organizations and government entities that focus on any of the following areas:

- Affordable and accessible housing options for residents 50+
- Delivery of services to help residents 50+ age in the setting of their choice
- Pedestrian and bike infrastructure (sidewalks, amenities for walkers, public art, safe street crossings, navigation, etc.)
- Public Transportation
- Fostering intergenerational and multi-cultural connection
- Financial security for low income residents 50+
- Socialization and fostering community connection for older residents
- Education and awareness about LGBTQ elders
- Community accessibility for disabled residents

Organizations will be selected in 2020 for grants up to \$4,000. Grants will be one-time funding for a 12-month period starting when grant funding is received.

ELIGIBILITY

The grants are open to incorporated organizations that are 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) non-profits and Connecticut government entities who seek to make improvements in their neighborhood or community in Connecticut.

AARP will not fund the following types of activities or organizations under this grant program:

- Political activities
- Studies with no follow-up action
- Publication of books or reports
- Acquisition of land and/or buildings
- Research and development for a for-profit or commercial endeavor
- Individuals/salary
- Commercial activity or for-profits
- Capital expenditures
- Ongoing operating expenses

All projects must be completed within 12 months from receipt of grant funding.

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants must comply with these requirements, including without limitation the eligibility requirements.
- Applicants must submit proposal to CTLIVABLE@AARP.ORG with each section of the application completed with all pertinent information.

DEADLINE

All proposals must be **received** by **5:00 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2020** to be eligible for consideration under this grant program.

SELECTION

Recipients will be selected by a panel with expertise in aging issues, community development, and livable communities.

In general, the selected projects will be based on the degree to which their goals meet the selection criteria as provided in this grant program and are consistent with current AARP policy positions and mission in AARP's sole discretion.

More specifically, the judging for the grants will be evaluated based on a weighted point system for a total of 100 overall points as follows as provided in the grant application.

AARP reserves the right to allow panelists to consider additional factors in the selection of successful applicants.

NOTIFICATION

The grant recipients will be notified by email **no later than November 10, 2020**. Grantees must execute and return a binding Memorandum of Understanding to the AARP CT Office to CTLIVABLE@AARP.ORG within nine (9) days of notification. Noncompliance with this time period may result in disqualification.

ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By submitting an application to AARP under this grant program, the applicant agrees that:

- The decisions of AARP regarding the eligibility of participants and the validity of entries shall be final and binding and applicant agrees that it will not contest AARP's selection of grant recipients in any way.
- All submissions will be judged by AARP whose decisions and determinations as to the administration of the grants and selection of grant recipients are final and in AARP's sole discretion.
- AARP has the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel, or suspend the grants.

ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS – cont'd.

- The Applicant's project and application shall not violate any third-party rights. Applicant agrees that participation in the grant program constitutes the Applicant's consent to AARP's use of the applicant organization's name and corporate logo, street address, city, state, zip code, county, and names, likenesses, photographs, videos, images, and statements made or provided by the Applicant's representatives regarding the grant process for promotional purposes in any media without further permission, consent, payment or other consideration.

AARP and its affiliated organizations, subsidiaries, agents and employees are not responsible for late, lost, illegible, incomplete, stolen, misdirected, illegitimate, or impermissible submissions or any other error whether human, mechanical or electronic.

Please email questions to CTLIVABLE@AARP.ORG .