

Application: 4535 | General

City of Princeton

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Page: Basic Information

1. Common name of Applicant Organization

City of Princeton

Legal Name of Applicant Org

City of Princeton

2. Amount of Grant Request

7344

3. Organization Profile

The City of Princeton joined the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities in 2020. Princeton is currently undergoing Brainstorming Sessions to dive deeper into areas of need as well as what the City is doing well for adults age 50 plus. The City of Princeton Police Department has also worked closely with our Dementia Friendly group to create a brochure and training opportunities for adults with memory and cognition issues to be sure of their safety.

Street Address

705 N 2nd St

Street Address Line 2

City

Princeton

State

Minnesota

Zip / Postal Code

55371

5. Organization tax status

A municipality

6. Organization Tax Identification Number

n/a

7. Organization Website

<https://www.princetonmn.org/>

8. Organization Twitter Handle

n/a

9. Organization Facebook name

<https://www.facebook.com/CityOfPrincetonMinnesota/>

10. Did your organization apply for an AARP Community Challenge Grant in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, or 2021?

Yes - Not selected

11. How did you hear about this grant opportunity?

The AARP State Office in my state

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Page: Community Details**13. Name of Municipality where project will be physically located/delivered**

City of Princeton

Note: This information is for AARP's analysis purposes only, and will not be used in award information, etc.

Address

705 N 2nd St

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15. Approximate population for the city/town/area where the project will be delivered

4900

16. Would you describe this community as:

Rural

Page: Project Details

- Partisan, political or election related activities
- Planning activities, assessments or surveys of communities without tangible engagement
- Studies with no follow-up action
- Publication of books or reports
- The acquisition of land and/or buildings or a vehicle (such as a car or truck) purchase
- Solely to sponsor other organizations' events or activities
- Research and development for a nonprofit endeavor
- Research and development for a for-profit endeavor
- The promotion of a for-profit entity and/or its products and service

17. Project Description

The City of Princeton is applying for the AARP Community Challenge Grant in order to purchase one electric cargo bike. The City is currently working in cooperation with Sherburne County, Mille Lacs County, and the Cities of Elk River, Zimmerman, and Milaca in order to extend the Great Northern Trail. The Great Northern Trail is partially completed as a multi-use trail for bicyclists, walkers, runners, etc. The Great Northern Trail currently runs through the southern portion of Princeton past multiple gas stations, restaurants, and residential units. The extension will offer access to Walmart, local schools, and more residential units. The bike will offer an opportunity for families and individuals to rent an electric-assist bike from the City to use recreationally, grocery shopping, social use, and more.

The bike is specifically the Ferla Cargo Family Bike - Royce Mid-Range which allows a 350-lb carrying limit in the cargo unit. The bicycle portion of this bicycle offers electric-assist option for ease of riding. This will allow multiple individuals to utilize the bike together. The bike will be offered for rent through the City of Princeton. The cost for individuals/family-units to rent the bike will be to cover the cost of the electricity for charging the bike, and will not be used to make a profit.

This project will work closely with Princeton Public Utilities Commission to offer charging for the bike. The project will also work closely with the local school district, ISD 477, the two assisted living facilities in Princeton, and M Health Fairview Northland to offer the program to the community. This program will be overseen by the City of Princeton's Community Development department in collaboration with Parks and Recreation.

18. Project Short Summary

The City of Princeton Bike Assist Program offers one electric hybrid cargo bike to families, with an emphasis for adults age 50+. This will allow a wider variety of transportation opportunities for Princeton residents.

19. Upload one attachment if needed.

Download File (<https://vo-general.s3.amazonaws.com/87b50262-0a33-4200-bad5-cf3d546b4520/12bed9da-594e-4d65-aa4f-4c2363a83cc5?AWSAccessKeyId=AKIAJ4PRWO26HAX3IOCA&Expires=1734351910&response-content-disposition=inline%3B%20filename%3D%22ferla-cargo-bike-royce-mid-drive-436070.webp%22&response-content-type=image%2Fwebp&Signature=aTc6Ma%2BJ37JEVIOCyZH7%2BggwSTE%3D>)

20. Social Impact Goal

improving the health and wellness of older adults and all residents of the community (with a focus on people age 50 and older)

21. Project Category

Deliver a range of transportation and mobility options for residents (especially those 50-plus) through permanent or temporary solutions that increase connectivity, walkability, bikeability and access to public and private transit and safety.

Transportation Subcategory

Bikeability, especially for people 50-plus (e.g., bike sharing options, temporary bike lanes)

22. Project Deliverables

Deliverables

Deliverable: The City of Princeton will purchase and store one Ferla Cargo Family Bike - Royce Mid-Range.

Quantity: 1

Deliverable: The City of Princeton will host an unveiling event of the bicycle after received and will expect at least 40 people in attendance, 20 of which will be over the age of 50. This event will offer a training of how to use the bike, and an opportunity to ride on the bike for event attendees.

Quantity: 40

Deliverable: The City of Princeton will utilize at least 3 volunteers over the age of 50 to market the bicycle program throughout the community.

Quantity: 3

- *The Organization will purchase and install structures with LED lighting with custom side panels at (ADDRESS)*
 - *Quantity: 3*
- *The Organization will purchase and install ADA compliant benches at (ADDRESS)*
 - *Quantity: 7*
- *The Organization will purchase and install AARP branded signage at (ADDRESS)*
 - *Quantity: 15*
- *The Organization will purchase and install accessible raised garden beds*
 - *Quantity: 10*
- *The Organization will hold event on (DATE) (event examples: workshops, hackathon, trainings)*
 - *Quantity: 1*
- *The Organization's goal is to have community members to be trained at workshops on 50+ issues*
 - *Quantity: 250, including at least 125 people age 50 and older*
- *The Organization will hold a (kick-off, ribbon cutting, etc.) event on November 1, 2022.*
 - *Quantity: 1*
- *The Organization has a goal of attendees at event*
 - *Quantity: 400, including at least 200 people age 50 and older*
- *The Organization will engage volunteers over the course of the project – including painting accessible benches made of outdoor materials, installation, and the kick-off event*
 - *Quantity: goal of 70, including at least 35 people age 50 and older*

23. Project Type

New, innovative programming or services

Page: Project Narrative

24. Livable Communities Activities

The City of Princeton's electric assist bike program will coincide with the City's current efforts to be an Age-Friendly Community. Currently, the City is undergoing brainstorming sessions to engage the community in what our community needs and strengths are in terms of being a livable community for all. One topic that was greatly spoken about was within transportation, and it was a direct request to offer more transportation opportunities for our constituents. An electric bike will offer more transportation opportunities, thus creating a more livable community overall.

The bike for this program has a cargo unit in the front of the bike for up to 4 children or 2 adults to sit in, with electric assist of one bicyclist to drive the bicycle unit. This allows socialization while transporting for healthcare visits, grocery shopping, and any other activities the users may be utilizing the bicycle for. This encourages neighbors, family, friends, etc. to partner together when going on visits around the City. By offering more socialization and transportation opportunities, the City of Princeton will be a more livable community for all. This initiative will offer an emphasis to adults age 50+ as it will encourage older adults to be more engaged in the community, be more active, socialize, and be outdoors more often.

25. Community Engagement

If received, the City of Princeton will partner with multiple local organizations. One of which will be the local school district, ISD 477 in order to allow intergenerational projects and encourage students and families to utilize the bicycle. The program will also partner with the two long-term care facilities in Princeton, Sterling Pointe and Cassia Elim Home. This will encourage adults residing in long-term care and independent older adult housing units to utilize the bicycle on outings, creating more opportunity for transportation around the City. The last organization the City will focus on partnering with would be M Health Fairview Northland, the healthcare facility in Princeton.

By partnering with these organizations, the City of Princeton will be able to engage the community as a whole. If received, the executed grant will offer additional programming and services to partnered organizations that will directly be able to engage community-members in utilizing the bicycle. This grant program will work in close relation with the Age Friendly Princeton group to encourage marketing of the program and ensure the bicycle is available to all in the community.

26. Role of Volunteers

Yes

Please Describe

Adults age 50+ will assist in creating events to utilize the electric cargo bicycle. Adults over the age of 50 will assist the City in marketing the bicycle program, as well as be encouraged to utilize the bicycles. The City of Princeton will purchase the bicycle and store it at City facilities, but will rely on adults age 50+ to ensure the community as a whole knows of the bicycle program.

27. Older Adults

Adults age 50+ will benefit from the bicycle program as they will be able to either bike with electric assist, or ride in the cargo portion of the bike to transport around town. This will allow adults age 50+ to have another transportation option to healthcare appointments, grocery shopping, social visits, among other opportunities.

28. Diversity and Inclusion

No

29. Disparities

Yes

Please describe:

In 2019, the City of Princeton had a 17.1% poverty rate according to Data USA. A vast majority of those within poverty are older adults. The City of Princeton Bike Assist program would offer an electronic bicycle to individuals and families in the community to reserve and utilize on a day to day basis. This would allow those with economic disparities to have a wider variety of transportation opportunities in the community, especially those over the age of 50.

30. Veterans and Military Families

No

31. Federal Investments

No

Page: Budget

Please specify all expenses that will be covered by this grant. Itemize anticipated expenses and income (if any) for this proposal. *Please ensure that the Total Grant Amount Requested below matches the amount you entered in Question #2 at the beginning of this application.*

CONTRACTED SERVICE COSTS

Expense

0

Additional Information

STAFF COSTS (IF ANY)

NOTE: AARP will typically only award grants that spend 0-15% on staff costs. However, AARP reserves the right to award compelling projects that go beyond this range.

Expense

0

Additional Information

MATERIALS & SUPPLIES (IF ANY)

Expense

7344

Additional Information

Purchase and taxes of the Ferla Cargo Family Bike - Royce Mid-Range

TRAVEL EXPENSES (IF ANY)**Expense**

0

Additional Information**TOTAL GRANT AMOUNT REQUESTED**

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Total Grant Amount

7344

Additional Information

Purchase and taxes of the Ferla Cargo Family Bike - Royce Mid-Range

Matching funds are NOT required. Please detail any matching/supporting funds or in-kind support the organization will receive to contribute toward this project. Include volunteer/donated work as in-kind support.

NONPROFIT**Matching Funds (\$)**

0

In-Kind Support**PRIVATE****Matching Funds (\$)**

0

In-Kind Support

PUBLIC

Matching Funds (\$)

0

In-Kind Support

34. How will you use AARP branding?

The City of Princeton will post AARP branding on the City website, social media pages, and will utilize AARP logos on marketing materials for the Princeton Bike Assist program.

35. Other Funding

Yes

An opportunity for other possible AARP funding. Please note that by submitting a proposal for the AARP Community Challenge initiative, you and your organization give AARP permission to reach out to you and others at your organization about other possible AARP funding opportunities that your proposal may be eligible for based on the AARP Community Challenge criteria. However, please note that AARP is not obligated in any way to consider your proposal for any additional AARP funding.

Page: Notification

When you SUBMIT this application, you will receive a confirmation email within the hour. If you do NOT receive a submission confirmation, you may not have submitted successfully. Please go back and make sure you completed ALL required questions and did not go over the text box character limits.

All applicants will be notified of their funding status by email in May. To receive funding, selected applicants must execute and return a binding Memorandum of Understanding and completed financial forms to the AARP National office in a timely manner.