Updates from Kathy

Greetings all! It was exciting to share with you how important this ongoing project is. As a result of the public feedback we received, we are confident in the momentum that this project is creating.

On May 14th, the Board of County Commissioners officially proclaimed May as Age-Friendly Sarasota Month. A proclamation also recognized the Sarasota County Department of Health’s ongoing efforts to make Sarasota County an Age-Friendly Community, including the work of the Sarasota County Department of Health.

On May 21st, I presented above-age-friendly Sarasota (AARS) at the Sarasota County Commission on Aging meeting. The theme of the meeting was “Age-Friendly Communities: What Are We Doing?” The presentation focused on the mission of making Sarasota County an Age-Friendly Community and highlighted the work of the AARS team. The presentation included information on how to get involved with the initiative and resources available to individuals interested in making Sarasota County Age-Friendly.

As we reflect on the work that we have accomplished, and as we look forward to the future, the Sarasota County Department of Health continues to be committed to making Sarasota County an Age-Friendly Community.

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Domain Spotlight: Employment

For decades, our retirement system has been dependent on Florida’s role in shaping the nation’s largest retirement economy. However, there is a growing recognition that the traditional retirement model is changing, and people are looking for different ways to continue contributing to society.

Age-Friendly Sarasota is committed to promoting age-friendly employment practices and creating job opportunities for adults of all ages. We strive to connect older workers to meaningful employment opportunities that align with their skills and interests.

The initiative aims to create a more inclusive and diverse workforce, where older workers can continue to contribute to society and the economy. This is important not only for the aging population but also for the younger workforce, as age diversity can bring fresh perspectives and ideas to businesses.

Celebrating Age-Friendly Sarasota

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While Sarasota County, just rebranded itself as Age-Friendly Sarasota, one of the largest retirement economies in the nation, there are numerous opportunities for individuals of all ages and backgrounds to contribute.

Age-friendly employment in Sarasota includes opportunities for seniors to continue working, helping others, and engaging in meaningful activities. The initiative has taken a proactive approach in supporting age-friendly employment opportunities and making businesses more age-friendly.

The Sarasota County Department of Health has been a key partner, providing resources and support for age-friendly initiatives. The department has also partnered with local businesses to promote age-friendly employment practices and create job opportunities for older workers.

The Sarasota County Department of Health is committed to creating a more age-friendly community, where everyone can continue to contribute to society in meaningful ways, regardless of age.