## 2025 Aging in Communities Commission Work-plan

ENABLING LANGUAGE	PROJECT	OUTCOMES	TIMEFRAME	COST (if any)
Advise the Village Board in its efforts to address the evolving needs and interests of our changing demographic and to develop a community-wide lens to identify not just a set of plans, programs, procedures, and services but also an inclusive awareness and approach that facilitates livability for everyone.	Ageism is a public health issue:  - Collaborate with Health Dep't in identifying opportunities to address ageism and its impact on the health of older people in Oak Park  - Coordinate with Bd of Health and Disability Commission  Study session with Board of Trustees re. Ageism is a public health issue	- Leadership - Community wellness  Health Dep't demonstrates awareness of ageism as a public health issue and has access to information about methods that promote healthy aging  Public attendees will	2025	
Recommend to the Village Board policies to promote aging in communities.	Learn about quality of life in senior housing across Oak Park in order to better advise the Village Board re. finances, accessibility, quality of life	demonstrate increased knowledge of ageism and methods to reduce ageism (post presentation survey) More effective policies	2025	
Cooperate with and provide support to other Village commissions, committees, task forces, and departments in their efforts to facilitate and promote public awareness of aging in communities.	Chairpersons meetings lunch-and-learn	Decreased silos AIC facilitates awareness of ageism in OP amongst Village Board, staff and others	2025	
Provide advice to any entity within the Village which seeks assistance from the Commission on how to better serve the needs of our aging population.	Collaborate with various Oak Park commissions (e.g. Disability Access, Bd of Health) -Dementia Friendly OP program - Heritage House	Increased livability 'healthier' OP  Awareness and training	2025	
Work with the Village Manager or the Manager's designee to establish events, seminars and workshops that promote public awareness and understanding of aging in communities.	-2 speakers during year (to both staff + public) -Intergenerational mural project -Promote awareness of Aging in Communities Commission by participating in: Day in Our Village; Ageism Awareness Day; Intergenerational dialogues and shared perspectives; celebrating seniors week -design and distribute yard signs	Diminished ageism/increased awareness (raised ocean) Recruitment to Commission	2025 2025	\$9,000 (speaker) \$5,000 (art) \$500 (events) \$250 (yard signs)
Establish, implement and support programs to recognize institutions, businesses and organizations that promote aging in communities.	-Dementia Friendly Village program -Bd of Health: ageism is public health issue/older people in local hospitals	Increased community support and awareness	2025	\$250 (events)