Age Friendly Communities Grants Program

I am writing to let you know about an opportunity for <<LGA>> to partner with Alzheimer’s WA to deliver age and dementia friendly initiatives through the Department of Communities *Age-friendly and Dementia-friendly Communities Grants Program*.

You are able to apply for grant funding for up to $15,000.

There are many innovative ideas that that you could use the grant for. This is an opportunity for you to explore new and exciting ideas. Alzheimer’s WA would like to assist you to explore and develop any dementia-friendly initiatives you would like to progress. Examples of some of the things we could support you with include

* Providing training and information sessions to residents and businesses about dementia
* Assisting the establishment of a memory café
* Advice on embedding dementia friendly principles into your Disability Access and Inclusion (DAIP) and Age Friendly Plans
* Developing a community sensory garden
* Advice on dementia design in public spaces

These activities can be part of your overall application but a focus on new ideas will be highly regarded.

Approximately 70% of people living with dementia live at home. People with dementia deserve to participate in everyday life, and require your support and understanding to do so. Empowering local residents and businesses with knowledge on how to best support and involve people living with dementia will help them to remain active in their community.

Alzheimer’s WA has worked closely with local governments for a number of years to introduce age and dementia friendly community programs.

By taking part in this grant opportunity you will ensure <<LGA>> is incorporating dementia friendly community programs into your community initiatives.

The 2019 Grant Program closes on Thursday, 5 September 2019.

To find out more about this opportunity contact me on (08) 9388 2800 or roy.barnett@alzheimerswa.org.au.

Yours sincerely

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