

Mr. Rafi Nazarians
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Dear Mr. Nazarians,

On behalf of the City of Carson, we are excited to partner with AARP California to become an “Age-Friendly Community”. Along with other selected communities in the nation, Carson is committed to promoting policies to make American cities friendly to aging populations, and thereby benefitting all populations.

The City of Carson is part of the South Bay region of Los Angeles County, and is experiencing the aging of our population, with seniors 60 years and older comprising roughly 18% of our population. We pride ourselves on making Carson a community where seniors can age in place safely and gracefully.

To address our increasing aging demographic, Carson already has in place a Senior Citizens Advisory Commission, robust Senior Recreation programming, and plans to conduct a senior needs assessment for our older residents and community stakeholders with the assistance of Dr. Archana Sharma and her health science students at California State University Dominguez Hills. We intend to develop a community-wide action plan based on the findings of the assessment.

The City of Carson is committed to advancing public and aging policy goals based on the eight domains: outdoor spaces and buildings; transportation; housing; social participation; respect and social inclusion; civic participation and employment; communication and information; community and health services.

I look forward to working with the AARP California State Office, its members and volunteers, and other stakeholders that respond to the needs in the community. I have no doubt that the City of Carson can be a shining example of age-friendliness.

Sincerely,

Lula Davis-Holmes
Mayor, City of Carson

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