



Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health Department

DATE: February 13, 2024

FROM: Renae Moch, Director

ITEM: AARP Community Challenge Grant.

REQUEST:

Permission to apply for funding from AARP's Community Challenge Grant.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health (BBPH) is requesting permission to apply for funding from AARP's Community Challenge Grant. The AARP Community Challenge Grant provides grant funding to make communities more livable for people of all ages with tangible improvements that jump-start long-term change. Since 2017, AARP Community Challenge grant awards have ranged from \$500 to \$50,000 with an average award amount of \$11,900.

If approved, BBPH would submit an application requesting funds to support art installation and safety enhancements to the inside of the Bismarck Expressway Pedestrian Tunnel, which is a part of the Sertoma Park trail system. This project would be completed in partnership with Bismarck Parks and Recreation District and local artists. If awarded, the project would be completed in summer 2024. There is no request for FTE's and no match requirement for these funds. This project supports the City of Bismarck's strategic focus areas of Signature Spaces, All Ages and All Wages, and Social Health.

RECOMMENDED CITY COMMISSION ACTION:

Approve request to apply for funding from AARP's Community Challenge Grant.

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None