

## **Livable New York Academy**

### **Education Training Facilitated Technical Assistance**

Your community may be interested in actively taking steps towards greater livability, or you may have already begun some activities, but have encountered challenges or obstacles.

The education, training, and facilitated technical assistance steps of Livable New York's *Academy* process can help you achieve your livability goals.

To let us know of your interest in discussing whether there is a role for the *Academy* in your community's efforts, return this form to:

Livable New York, NY State Office for the Aging, 2 Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223; or [vera.prosper@ofa.state.ny.us](mailto:vera.prosper@ofa.state.ny.us).

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**New York State Commission  
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for Persons with Disabilities**



**Sustainable Communities  
for all ages**

- ★ **Future-based inclusive planning**
- ★ **Livable communities**
- ★ **Aging-in-place**
- ★ **Sustainable neighborhoods**

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## **WHY implement the Livable New York initiative**

### **Sustainable Future Planning for New York's Changing Population**

New York's communities are changing significantly . . .

- ★ Aging of the baby boomers
- ★ Increasing longevity
- ★ Shifting balance between the elderly and non-elderly populations
- ★ Loss of specific populations to other states
- ★ Increasing resident diversity—stemming from . . .
  - Robust immigration and migration patterns
  - Increasing numbers of people with disabilities
  - Expansion of cultural and ethnic groups, and
  - Growth in the number and variety of non-traditional family households



*In the face of these changes,  
many communities are looking for help  
to create livable neighborhoods,  
encourage future-oriented  
sustainable planning,  
strengthen a sense of community,  
improve their economic growth,  
and maintain a good quality of life.*

### **Livable New York Focus Areas**

**Housing, Universal Design,  
Transportation/Mobility,  
Planning, Zoning, Development,  
Energy Alternatives,  
Green Building**

**Older Adults, Younger Adults,  
Persons with Disabilities  
Families, Communities**



### **Livable New York Principles**

- ★ **Future-based, inclusive planning**
- ★ **Community-driven decision-making**
- ★ **All ages, abilities, and cultures**
- ★ **Cross-sector collaboration**
- ★ **Broad resident participation**
- ★ **Successful aging in place**
- ★ **Sustainable neighborhoods**



**Education  
Training  
Facilitated Technical Assistance**

**Fostering aging in place and  
livability for *all* residents**

### **Helping communities to—**

- ★ Understand the implication of their community's demographics
- ★ Evaluate residents' perceptions of their community's livability
- ★ Build community coalitions
- ★ Involve all community sectors
- ★ Engage residents across the age span
- ★ Take community-based, community-driven planning and decision-making steps, such as:
  - Implementing successful housing and transit models
  - Incorporating innovative community and building designs
  - Adopting energy-efficient and green building alternatives
  - Instituting creative planning approaches and zoning strategies

