



Membership in Arbor West Neighbors

Thank you for your interest in joining us in a new vision of aging. We envision a multi-ethnic, multi-cultural community where all older adults are valued, age with dignity, and enjoy opportunities for growth and engagement.

- **What membership offers:**
 - Social engagement, education, citizen involvement & resource information for vibrant living
 - Satisfaction in volunteering to organize or attend activities relevant to older adults
 - Companionship in walking groups, movie discussions and other interest groups
- **What membership promotes:**
 - Support for this grass-roots non-profit organization focused on older adults
 - Support for the concept of living in community
 - Participation in a range of activities and projects

Arbor West Neighbors (AWN) is an Illinois not for profit corporation that is tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The requested donation for single membership is \$50 and \$75 for household membership annually, but no interested participants will be denied membership for failure to donate. Your donation may be tax-exempt; written acknowledgement of your donation may be requested by sending an email to arborwestneighbors@gmail.com with "Tax Receipt Requested" in the subject line. We reserve the right to make changes to our membership fees and related policies. We welcome and value diversity in membership – of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, or ability.

We are a peer-to-peer organization, meaning that we do not employ any staff and rely on our members to propose, develop and run all of our activities. After new members become familiar with AWN, we encourage them to identify ways in which they can contribute to our operation. We anticipate that this involvement will be in accordance with each member's interests, abilities and talents. We have found that one of the best ways to forge strong relationships is by working together for a common purpose. We are here to help you identify ways to become fully involved with AWN.

To join Arbor West Neighbors

- Please review our privacy policy, found on page 2.
- **Print**, read and complete pages 3-4.
- Mail the completed pages with your donation to:

Arbor West Neighbors, PO Box 1584, Oak Park, IL 60304

Our Membership Team will contact you soon.



Privacy Policy

AWN is committed to protecting the privacy and accuracy of confidential information and to following all relevant provisions of state and federal laws. **AWN** does not actively share personally-identifiable information. We do not re-distribute or sell personal information collected from our website, our communications with you, or your membership form. **AWN** will disclose information only as required by law or in response to government subpoenas or other legal instruments that authorize access or in the event of a threat against **AWN** or its employees, volunteers or members.

What We Collect and How It Is Used

If you contact **AWN** by email, we will store your email address(es) but will not share this information with outside organizations. Unless you choose for your information to be shared in our membership directory, only authorized administrators within **AWN** will have access to this information. **AWN** will only use identifying personal information collected from your membership form, our website and e-mails received for the purpose of communication back to individuals who contact us or who are members, unless you select to be included in our membership directory that is shared with other members. If at any time you wish to be removed from our email list or our membership directory, you may contact us by phone or email at the address listed below. Members may not use the information found in our membership directory to solicit the business of other members. Members will also receive Community Connect e-mails through our collaboration with River Forest Township Senior Services. Individuals can unsubscribe from Community Connect at any time by clicking “unsubscribe” at the bottom of any Community Connect email.

Responsibility for External Sites

AWN's website and newsletters may contain links to other websites. Some of those websites may be operated by third parties. We provide the links for your convenience, but we do not review, control, or monitor the privacy practices of websites operated by others. We are not responsible for the performance of websites operated by third parties or for your interaction with them. Therefore, whenever you leave the **AWN** website or newsletters, we recommend that you review each website's privacy practices and make your own conclusions regarding the adequacy of these practices.

Privacy Policy Revisions

The **AWN** Privacy Policy was last revised on September 6, 2023. We may change this Privacy Policy at any time and for any reason. If we make a significant change to our Privacy Policy, we will post a notice on the homepage of our website for a period of time after the change is made.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Date: _____

First Household Member

Second Household Member

Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Preferred phone: _____

Preferred phone: _____

Emergency Contact Information

Name/Relationship _____

Name/Relationship _____

Phone: _____

Phone: _____

Arbor West Neighbors' Mission is based on the belief that neighbors wish to help neighbors to age in community, by volunteering talents and knowledge when possible.

Volunteer Opportunities: Initial where you'd like to offer your talents in support of our mission.

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| _____ | _____ | Community Advocacy (Social Action Team) |
| _____ | _____ | Environmental Advocacy (Green Team) |
| _____ | _____ | Website design and management |
| _____ | _____ | Newsletter writing, editing or production |
| _____ | _____ | Member engagement |
| _____ | _____ | Program planning and coordination |
| _____ | _____ | Start-up of a new activity, interest or advocacy group _____ |
| _____ | _____ | Volunteer coordination |

Interest Groups: Please initial by interest groups to receive their email communications.

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| _____ | _____ | Crafts/Knitting (Fiber Arts) |
| _____ | _____ | Discussion and learning group (Mix of Minds) |
| _____ | _____ | Movies and Discussion Group |
| _____ | _____ | Walking Group (Arbor Ramblers) |
| _____ | _____ | Theater Going Group |
| _____ | _____ | Small groups with common interests (Arbor Circles) |
| _____ | _____ | Other interest you'd like to share in a group? _____ |

How did you hear about Arbor West Neighbors? _____



We support and enrich aging
through community building and advocacy.

In exchange for **AWN** accepting you as a member of our organization, you agree to indemnify **AWN** from and hold it harmless against any and all loss, expense and liability arising out of or related in any way to (1) the performance of **AWN** and its agents and (2) the activities of any volunteer or service provider used or recommended by **AWN**, including, but not limited to any action that you, your heirs, successors, agents and legal representatives, might bring for negligence, personal injury or invasion of privacy.

Member Name (print)

Additional Member Name (print)

Member Signature

Additional Member Signature

Date

Permission to Share Contact Information

We periodically distribute a Membership Directory to all AWN members. Please indicate below if you do not wish to share your contact information.

No, please **do not** include my contact information in the AWN Membership Directory. ____ Initials

Permission to Use Images

We may take pictures or videos at our events and activities. We may use those images and recordings on our website, in our print materials, and on our social media. We do not provide any royalty or other payment for use of those images. Please indicate below if you do not give us permission to use any images or recordings of you.

No, I **do not** give Arbor West Neighbors permission to use images or recordings of me. ____ Initials

For AWN use:

Membership received by: _____ Title _____ Date: _____

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