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Dear Prospective Golden Years Club:

Thank you so much for contacting us regarding your interest in becoming a Golden Years Club. The Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Adult Program has offered our Golden Years Club affiliation since the 1950's. We offer this wonderful opportunity to groups who meet within the City of Raleigh limits. There is no cost to the clubs or its members to become affiliated with the Golden Years Clubs. There are several benefits to becoming a Golden Years Club to both the club members and the club overall, including but not limited to:

- 1. Club are advertised in the Adult Program publications as a Golden Years Club. Through this the clubs have potential for membership growth.
- 2. Adult Program staff assist the clubs with open houses as well as sharing clubs' special events and fundraising opportunities with other Golden Years Club members.
- 3. Clubs are provided with a resource manual filled with approved and vetted speakers, organizations and trip ideas.
- 4. Clubs have access to the department buses/vans and drivers for local day trips.
- 5. Club members are invited to our Golden Years Celebration provided to club members only. This amazing event has been provided to the club members by Capitol Broadcasting Company in partnership with the Adult Program since 1958.

We ask that the club officers and members follow a couple simple guidelines.

- 1. The group must meet within the City of Raleigh limits.
- 2. The club follows the Golden Years Club Constitution and Bylaws, including:
 - a. The positions of President, Vice President, and Secretary must be filled. If a club collects money of any type, the position of Treasurer must be filled as well.
 - b. The club must be open to all individuals 50 years and older.
 - c. Each club must have a volunteer Club Liaison that attends the monthly club meetings on the last Monday of every month.

The Adult Program offers the Golden Years Club affiliation to outside clubs and organizations to provide as many social opportunities as possible to our patrons. Social interactions are very important to an individual's health and well-being. It is through these clubs that our patrons find the social support and outlets that enrich their lives.

Please take a moment and look over the included documents and forms needed for your club to become part of the Golden Years Clubs. I happy to meet with the club officers and members to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

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