

BEST PRACTICES TIPS

for creating an Age-Friendly Walking program

PUBLIC REALM

- BENCHES**
Benches should have raised armrests on the end and center, raised seats and backs for easy support, & temperature-resistant
- STREET TREES**
Plant trees to create shade and climate resiliency
- LIGHTING**
Sufficient bright street lighting is everywhere
- SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE**
Use concrete material over brick, cobblestone, or similar styles

STREETS

- CROSSWALKS**
Keep crossing distance short and well-painted
- SIGNAL TIMING**
Increase Lead Pedestrian Interval in areas with high concentration of older adults or people with disabilities
- ADA COMPLIANCE**
Street conditions including ramps meet ADA standards
- TRAFFIC SPEED**
Implement traffic calming and slow speeds to 25 MPH

ACCESS

- PUBLIC BATHROOMS**
Open, accessible, prominent signage, and near popular destinations
- BUS STOPS**
Accessible for all users and feature a bench or bus shelter
- WAYFINDING**
Signs are easy to read and large font

