



# Age-Friendly MN Council

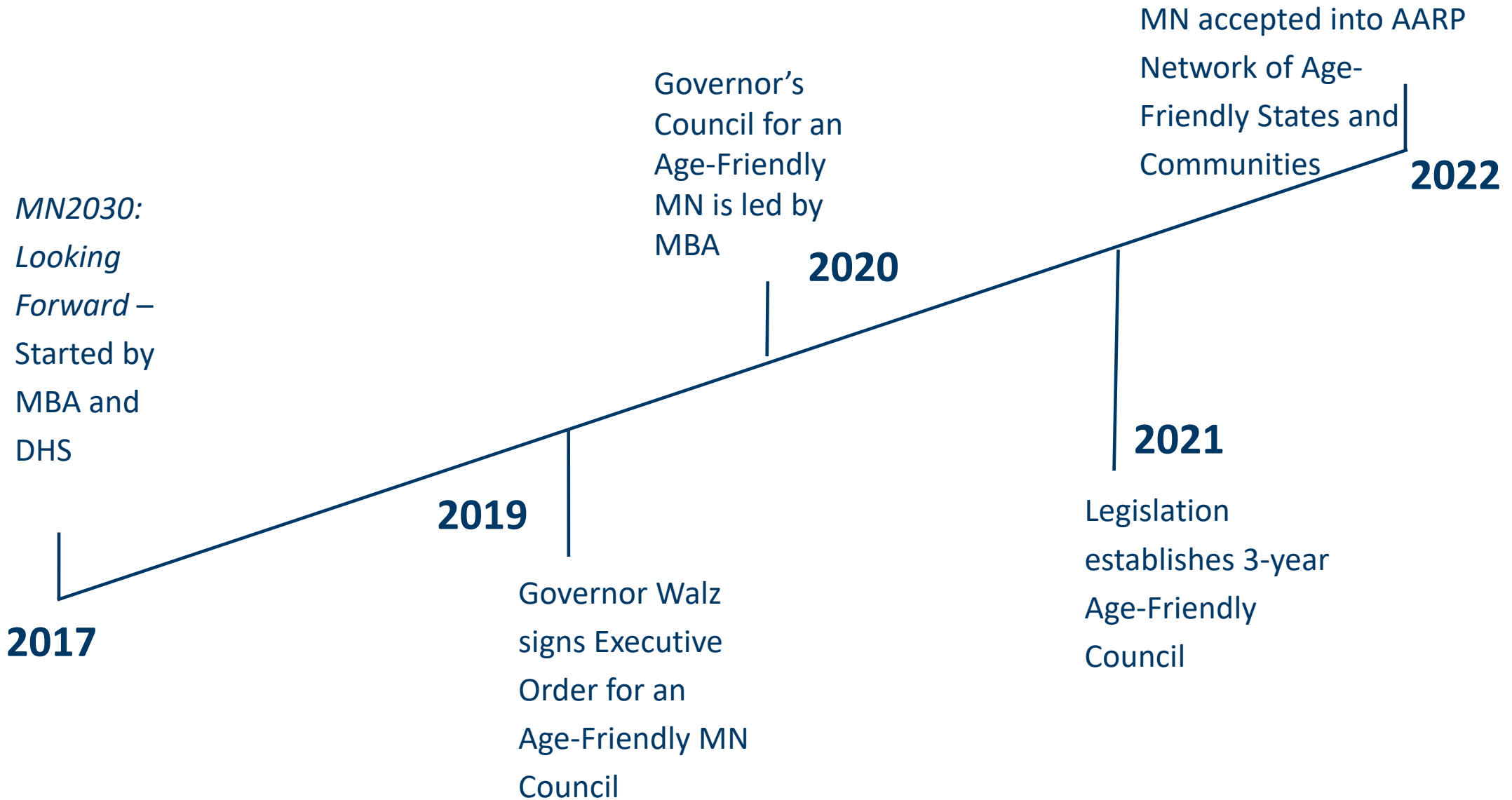
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# Towards an Age-Friendly MN



# Age-Friendly Minnesota Community Grants

- 2021 Special session authorized the Council through June 30, 2024
  - Authorizes funding for age-friendly community grants and technical assistance grants
- Council's focus is to:
  - Advance age-friendly policies
  - Coordinate state, local and private partners' collaborative work on emergency preparedness for older adults, communities, and persons in zip codes most impacted by COVID-19

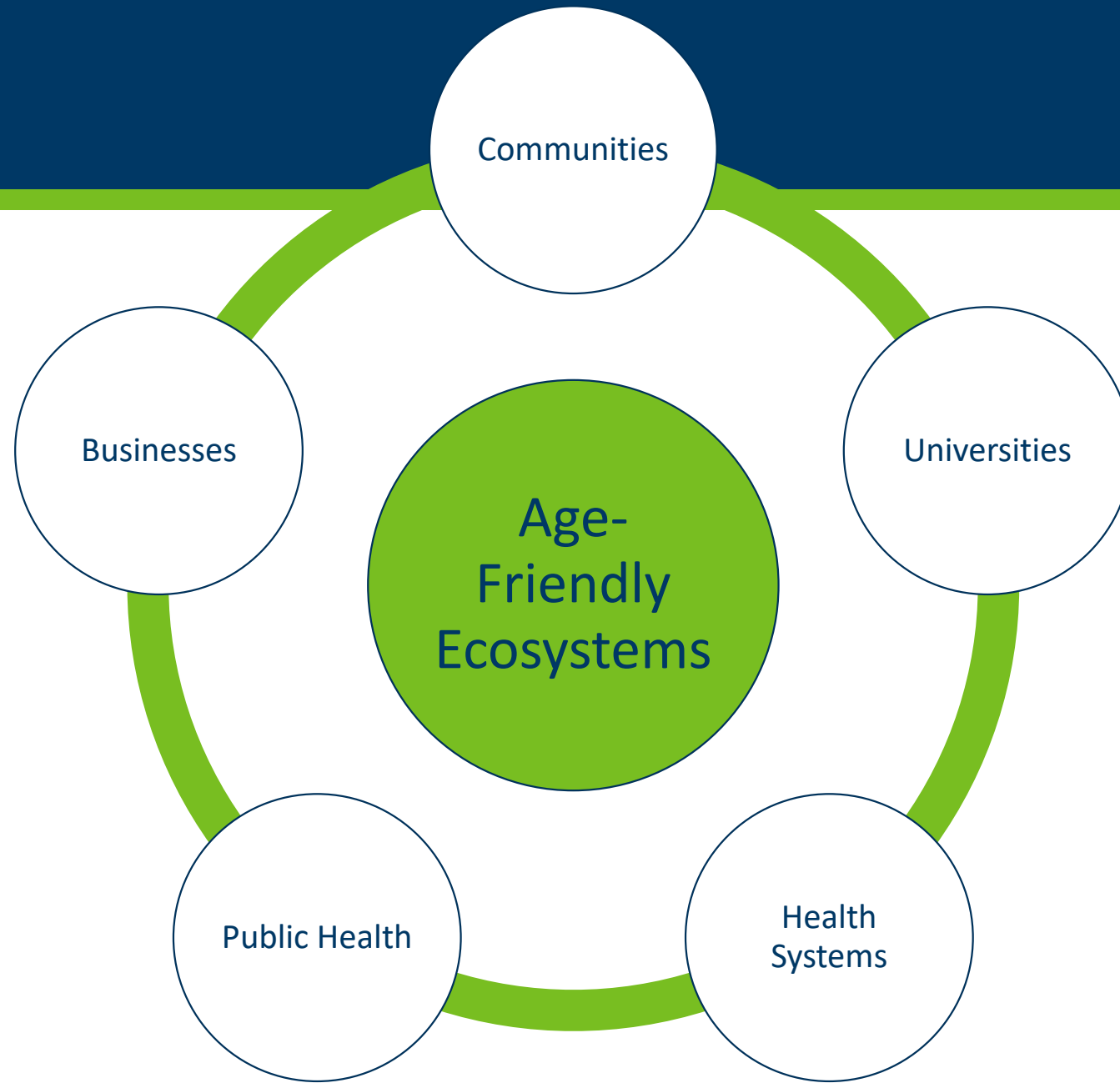


# Governor's Council on an Age-Friendly Minnesota

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Unprecedented opportunity to support our  
communities and chart a course for our  
future



# Council Members

Board on Aging

Dept of Health

Dept of Veterans  
Affairs

Dept of  
Employment &  
Economic  
Development

Housing Finance  
Agency

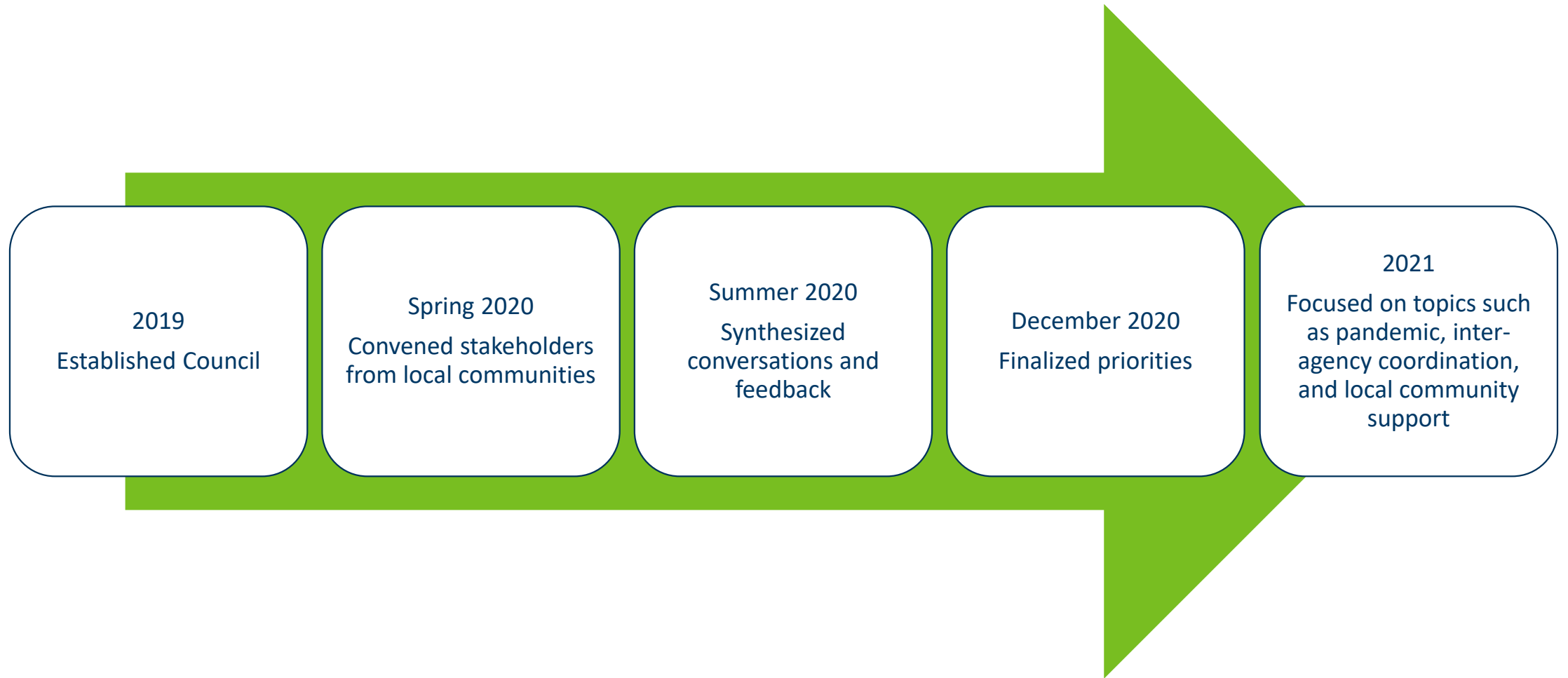
Dept of Commerce

Dept of  
Transportation

Dept of Human  
Services

6 non-state agency  
members including  
tribal  
representative

# Timeline and Work Plan





# Priorities

Enroll in the Network of Age-Friendly States

Champion diversity, equity and inclusion

Provide resources and support to local communities

Create a sustainable, ongoing Council

Develop a framework for state agencies to review work

Establish resource library for policy makers, local communities, and other stakeholders

Incorporate emergency preparedness in the age-friendly community framework

Develop a plan to integrate with MN legislature



**Support local communities:** continue to obtain input from local communities to help focus work and set priorities



**Develop sustainable infrastructure:** hire executive director, establish grant program, and create sustainability plan



**Engage state agencies:** establish framework to measure age-friendly initiatives and begin with emergency and disaster preparedness

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# Welcome to the Age-Friendly Network, MN!



# AARP Network of Age-Friendly States & Communities

Alexandria  
Brooklyn Park  
Duluth  
Hennepin Co.  
Lake Co.  
Maple Grove  
Minneapolis



Northfield  
Oakdale  
Olmsted Co.  
Princeton  
St. Cloud  
West St. Paul  
Wyoming

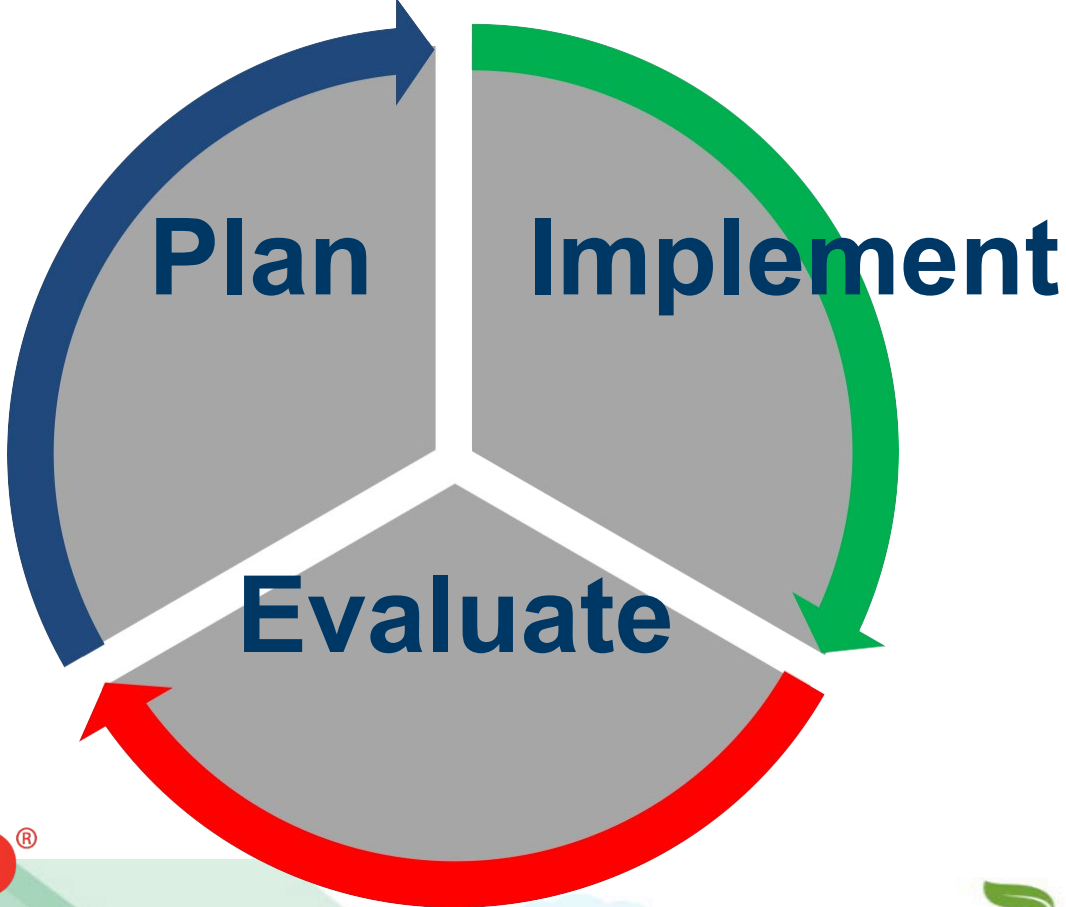


# Creating Livable Communities for an Age-Friendly MN



*AARP Domains of Livability*

# Age-Friendly Process



# Age-Friendly and addressing inequities in Greater MN





Thank You!