

Mission Statement

Commission for the Aging Town of Berlin, CT:

The mission of the Commission of the Aging is to encourage, promote, analyze and support community programs/services intended for or impacting the well being of Senior Citizens in the Town of Berlin. A major purpose of this commission is to identify relevant plans and programs providing or depriving independence, well being and/or involvement in community life for Senior Citizens.

Chapters within the Berlin Town Charter relevant to the Commission for the Aging are: Chapter 8-16-1, 8-16-2, 8-16-3.

Expectations by Members of this Commission:

Members of the Berlin Commission for the Aging have responsibilities to perform necessary planning and take action(s) to further promote accommodations already available for our town's Senior Citizens.

Expectations of the Commissions' actions are to unite the elderly with our town's people and to connect them with town programs for the purpose of accomplishing common good for our Senior Citizens, our town of Berlin and the State of Connecticut. Commissioners are expected to be aware of topics of interest that seniors are displaying in our communities and expectations of our seniors living within the demographics here in the town of Berlin.

The Commission is expected to communicate with the aging population of Berlin to unravel portions of ordinances, programs and directives that affect the aging population. It is necessary to inform seniors, on a continual basis, concerning matters that are of 'Need to Know' importance.

Expected by this Commission are cooperative relationships while uniting with other town commissions and town departments that become relevant in the Aging Commissions decision making practices. In practice, this commission is expected to work closely with the town's Community Services Director and Senior Center Director.

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Included in any study results are the expectations that the Town Governing Council be made aware of this Commissions' recommendations relevant to our elderly citizens and that the council receives appropriate requests for action prepared by this Commission.

Major elements of our town's government, as well as State, and private aging agencies that have specific concerns involving Senior Citizens are expected to be recognized by this commission.

It is important that the Commission For The Aging members recognize such topics that include Housing, Employment, Health, Economic Status, Transportation and Recreation when understood to be of continuing need to Senior Citizens living in our town of Berlin.

**Prepared by: The Mission Statement Committee
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