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Pines Village receives “Jumpstart the Conversation” grant

Pines Village Retirement Communities, Inc. and the Valparaiso Department of Parks and Recreation were one of 12 organizations in the Chicago-area awarded a “Jumpstart the Conversation” grant. The grants are a part of the National Aging in Place Initiative undertaken by Partners for Livable Communities and the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, with funding provided by the MetLife Foundation.

The purpose of the grants is to provide opportunities for older adults to contribute to the cultural life of the community. The \$1000 grant money will be used to provide fine arts classes for older adults at Pines Village and the Village Park Enrichment Center at Banta. “We are honored to be a recipient of this award and look forward to showcasing new art projects next May in honor of National Older American’s Month.” said Laurie Mullet, Pines Village CEO.

For more information on how you can participate, call the Village Park Enrichment Center at Banta at 219-462-1301. For additional details on the winning projects you can visit www.aginginplaceinitiative.org.