

# Communities for a Lifetime

## Intergenerational Living / Connectivity

### Issues / Challenges:

- People don't want to be warehoused as they get older – non segregated into isolated cohorts (senior housing not as popular an option for boomers).
- Tightening economics
- Mobility, access to family, supports, \$5 gas – infrastructure that enhances community
- Housing – mismatch of needs / size

### Builds on these assets:

- Economics – (macro and micro) i.e. resource use and infrastructure [shared housing, cars, costs, etc.]
- Sense of community / belonging
- More housing options based on existing housing stock – provide range of options and choice
- Natural social infrastructure of support

### Critical steps for successful implementation:

- Rethink regulatory environment (restrictive zoning codes, land use, etc.)
- Tax policies – build in incentives
- Adjust attitudes - govt / institutions / individuals (desire for independent lifestyle, resource use, cooperation)
- Greater societal acceptance of living together (challenge morality argument)

**Next step: Promote examples that depict intergenerational living and why they work. Market alternatives to potential users and investors / sponsors. Bring examples from places that have already seen the demographic tsunami (Florida, Pennsylvania, etc.)**