



A community is defined not by the buildings but by the people who live in them

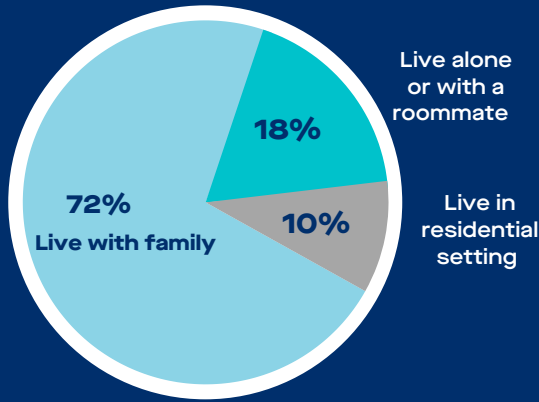
The Crisis

62%

In a national survey, 62% of adults with developmental disabilities dream of living in their own home

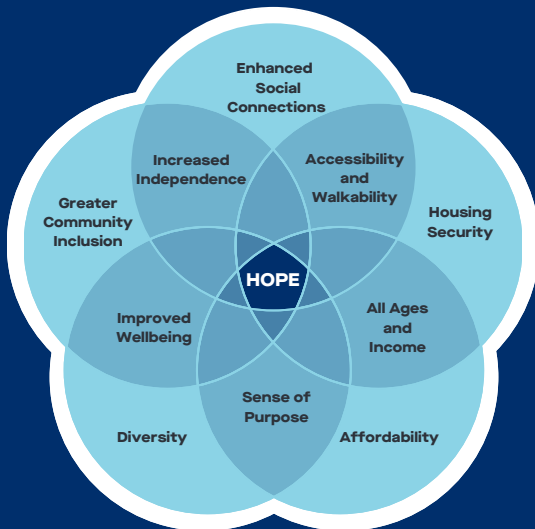
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More than 25% of family care providers are over the age of 60



Estimated number of individuals with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities by living arrangement. FY: 2017

The Benefits



The Mission

HOPE's (Housing Options for People with Exceptionalities) mission is to create inclusive communities where people of all abilities and ages experience a sense of belonging.

The Solution

The HOPE concept offers a new definition for an inclusive, affordable community, one in which the housing and social needs of residents of different ages, abilities, and incomes are met with the engagement of neighbors providing social and natural supports.

HOPE believes that inclusion and social connection are fundamental to addressing the housing crisis facing people with disabilities. This is not just HOPE's belief; the benefits from inclusion of individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities into the wider community is supported by research and public policy.

This community will provide multiple benefits to all residents, such as increased housing stability and affordability, enhanced social connections and reduced isolation.

Individual supports and services will be the responsibility of residents who require them and/or their families, who will have their choice of service provider.

Community Features



Approximately 25% of units will be set aside for adults with developmental disabilities, with other units to be occupied by a mix of older adults, singles and families



Walkability and accessibility to transportation, employment opportunities, retail businesses, healthcare, recreation



The community will feature a community navigator who will help facilitate social engagement



Units will feature universal design and will utilize assistive technology for additional individualized support

What does HOPE need?

- Acquire real estate that's accessible to transit and amenities
- Increase organizational capacity
- Assemble coalition of committed stakeholders to advocate for inclusive housing options



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