Housing Strategies

- **OLDER ADULT ENGAGEMENT:** Engage older adults in the planning and implementation process of strategies related to housing.
- **OLDER ADULTS IN ALL POLICIES:** Review policies related to housing in order to determine if older adults are considered or should be considered and included in the policies.
- **OLDER ADULT REPRESENTATION:** Identify boards related to housing that should include an older adult advocate on the committee or council.
- **AFFORDABILITY:** Provide affordable housing options and availability to older adults through: education, policy, increase in stock of affordable options.
- **ACCESSIBILITY & ADAPTABILITY:** Ensure that older adults are able to live in homes that are: accessible, able to be modified and adaptable to their needs.
- **PROGRAMS & SERVICES:** Ensure that services and programs meet the housing needs of older adults.

Why?
For older adults aging in the community, living conditions can promote health, enhance coping, and reduce disablement.¹

What’s Happening in Miami-Dade?
According to the 2013 American Community Survey Estimates,² of the approximately 828,031 households in Miami-Dade: +20% are individuals ages 65 or older.

Of the older adult households:
- 31% renter occupied
- 69% owner-occupied

According to Florida Housing Data Clearinghouse data for 2015³
- nearly 51% of those ages 65 or older spent at least 30% of their income on rent or mortgage.
- 21% COST BURDENED spending over 30% of their incomes on housing
- 30% SEVERELY COST BURDENED spending more than 50% of their incomes on housing

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