

Miami-Dade Age-Friendly Initiative

Priority
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HOUSING



Our Vision

Housing for older adults is affordable, accessible, and adapted to older adult needs and interests.

Why?

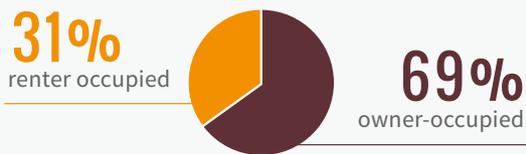
For older adults aging in the community, living conditions can promote health, enhance coping, and reduce disablement.¹

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:



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

Housing Strategies

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

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