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**The Trusted Voice
for Aging in America**

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n4a Aging Policy Briefing

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WHO WE ARE

Promise:

Inspire. Serve. Advocate.

Mission:

The trusted voice for aging.

Vision:

An America Freed From Ageism.

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HOUSING COST BURDENS

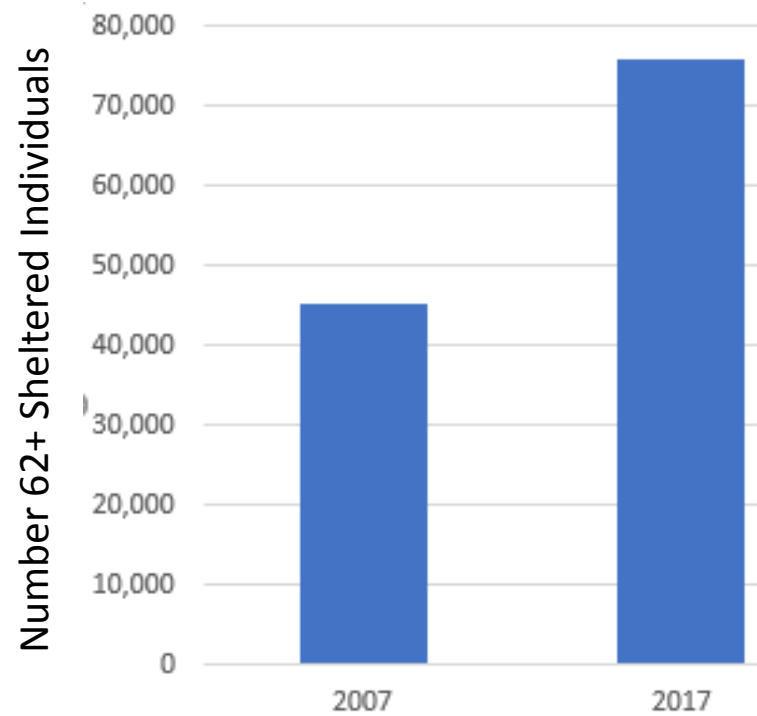
4.9M OLDER ADULTS

>50% INCOME FOR HOUSING

53% ↓ FOOD
70% ↓ HEALTHCARE

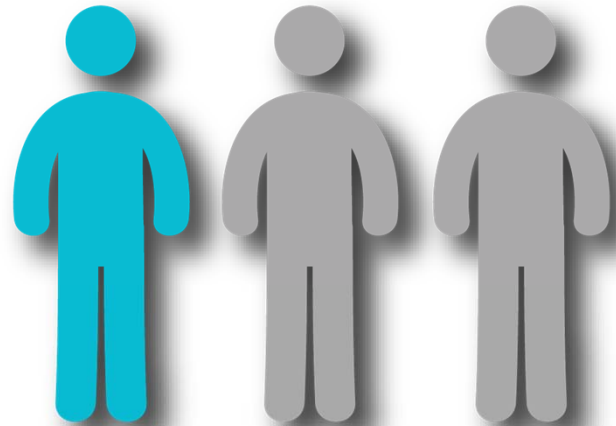
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HOMELESSNESS ON RAPID RISE



PROGRAMS TOO SMALL

Did You Know?



Only 1 in 3 Eligible Seniors
Receive Housing Assistance

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LONG WAITS FOR HOUSING



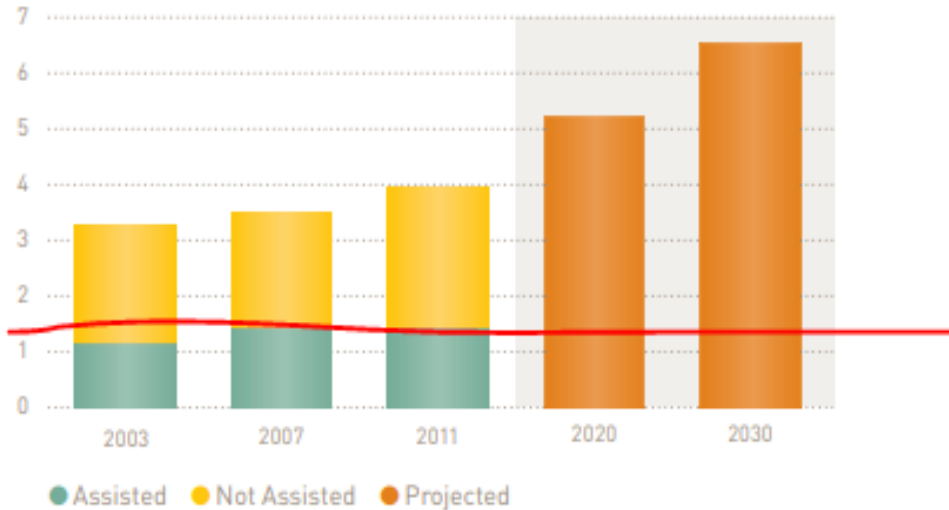
Waiting lists of 2 – 5 years

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SUPPLY TO MEET DEMAND

Rapid Growth in Older Eligible Renters Will Put Even More Pressure on Housing Assistance Programs

Very Low-Income Renter Households Aged 62 and Over (Millions)



Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University, 2014



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BUILD, PRESERVE, RETROFIT

HUD FY20 APPROPRIATIONS ASKS

- Preserve everything we have and keep quality high.
- Get back in the housing business!
- Expansion of Service Coordinators.
- Targeted federal money to modify homes.

TO THE HILL

- BE HONEST
- BE BOLD
- BE PROUD