

## Addressing Basic Needs

- Creating an Elder-Friendly Community
  - The Maturing of America: Getting Communities on Track for an Aging Population National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, in partnership with the International City/County Management Association, National Association of Counties, National League of Cities and Partners for Livable Communities released the results of a survey they conducted of 10,000 local governments to: determine their aging readiness to provide programs, policies and services that address the needs of older adults and their caregivers; to ensure that their communities are livable for persons of all ages; and to harness the talent, wisdom and experience of older adults to contribute to community at large.  
<http://www.n4a.org/pdf/MOAFinalReport.pdf>
  - In the Layton Boulevard neighborhood in Milwaukee, older adults and service providers are working together to create a neighborhood where older adults feel safe; are comfortable around neighborhood youth; feel connected to other neighbors and neighborhood institutions; and are able to get around via expanded transportation options.  
<http://www.milwaukeeccc.org/neighborhoods/layton-blvd/default.asp>
  - View Strategies adopted by Sherman Park in Milwaukee to connect older adults with the community.  
<http://www.milwaukeeccc.org/neighborhoods/sherman-park/default.asp>
- Boulder County Data: Excerpts from Strengths and Needs Assessment of Older Adults in Boulder County 2004  
[http://www.co.boulder.co.us/cs/ag/docs/clc/S&N\\_Excerpts\\_Addresses.pdf](http://www.co.boulder.co.us/cs/ag/docs/clc/S&N_Excerpts_Addresses.pdf)
- Targeting and Outreach
  - Common Sources of Information for Older Adults: Excerpt from Strengths and Needs Assessment of Older Adults in Boulder County 2004  
[http://wwwdev.co.boulder.co.us/cs/ag/docs/clc/Common\\_Sources.pdf](http://wwwdev.co.boulder.co.us/cs/ag/docs/clc/Common_Sources.pdf)
- Housing
  - Home Modification  
National Resource Center on Supportive Housing and Home Modification  
<http://www.homemods.org/>
  - Housing Alternatives
    - Companion Care program is to provide an alternative to traditional long-term care by providing the opportunity for residents to live in family-type environments in private homes  
Program Summary:  
[http://www.co.boulder.co.us/cs/ag/docs/clc/Companion\\_Care.pdf](http://www.co.boulder.co.us/cs/ag/docs/clc/Companion_Care.pdf)

- Cohousing
  - <http://www.eldercohousing.org/>
  - <http://cohousing.org/default.aspx>
  - <http://www.culturechangenow.com/stories/cohousing.html>
  
- Visitability
  - <http://www.concretechange.org/>
  - <http://www.ap.buffalo.edu/idea/visitability/>
  
- Housing Design
  - Survey conducted through randomly selected phone interviews with 600 Arkansas households found that an overwhelming 95 percent of boomers (those born between 1943 and 1963) believe that they will maintain an independent lifestyle, although 81 percent acknowledge that their health will decline as they age. Only half believed that neighborhood design would impact their lifestyle, and one in four dismissed the importance of home design on their ability to live independently
    - <http://dailyheadlines.uark.edu/9407.htm>
    - To access the report, choose 'publications' at: <http://studioaid.org>
  
  - Forthcoming: *Inclusive Housing, Arkansas: An Interdisciplinary Primer on Housing and Disability in the South* will couple the survey findings (described above) with field research by Smith and five architecture students, who canvassed the state with cameras and sketchpads to document regional housing styles and ad hoc modifications made by residents to accommodate disabilities. Using this data, they have generated prototypes for single-family and multi-family housing that promote aging in place. These prototypes will be showcased in the book and eventually, constructed as models for the building industry.
  
- Universal Design
  - Studio for Adaptable and Inclusive Design
    - <http://studioaid.org/>
  - Wonderful animated universal design logo
    - <http://dailyheadlines.uark.edu/5853.htm>
  - <http://www.ncoa.org///content.cfm?sectionID=240&detail=896>
  - <http://www.design.ncsu.edu:8120/cud/>
  - <http://www.freedombydesign.org/mission.html>
  
- Homelessness
  - Colorado Coalition for the Homeless
    - <http://www.coloradocoalition.org/>

- Reverse Annuity Mortgages
  - Use Your Home to Stay at Home: Expanding the Use of Reverse Mortgages to Pay for Long Term Care  
<http://www.ncoa.org/content.cfm?sectionID=263&detail=996>
- Trends in Reverse Mortgages - A New Option For Senior Homeowners  
<http://www.ncoa.org/content.cfm?sectionID=263&detail=1659>
- Miscellaneous Issues
  - "Elderly less likely to wake to smoke alarm," (Reuters Health, August 24, 2006). <http://tinyurl.com/eex96>
- Poverty
  - Paycheck Away Project  
<http://www.coloradocoalition.org/>
- One Call Does It All
  - 2-1-1 is an easy to remember telephone number that, where available, connects people with important community services and volunteer opportunities. <http://www.211.org>
- Best Practices/Model Programs/Good Ideas
  - Just1Call Mecklenberg County, North Carolina  
Helps older people and their family caregivers get the information they need in a convenient and timely fashion through a specially designed information and referral system based on consumers' input.  
[http://www.vnsny.org/advantage/tools/Advantage\\_best.pdf#search=%22vnsny%20best%20practices%22](http://www.vnsny.org/advantage/tools/Advantage_best.pdf#search=%22vnsny%20best%20practices%22) (page 14)
  - Gatekeeper Program of Multnomah County Portland, Oregon  
Identifies at-risk older people and provide assistance before a crisis occurs by replicating a successful program model that trains service people in the community to make referrals.  
[http://www.vnsny.org/advantage/tools/Advantage\\_best.pdf#search=%22vnsny%20best%20practices%22](http://www.vnsny.org/advantage/tools/Advantage_best.pdf#search=%22vnsny%20best%20practices%22) (page 28)