





## Aging-in-Place with Dementia-Friendly Housing

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"Whoever speaks of housing must also speak of home; the word means both the physical space and the nurturing that takes place there."

Delores Hayden, 1984, p. 63







# Making"House" a "Home"



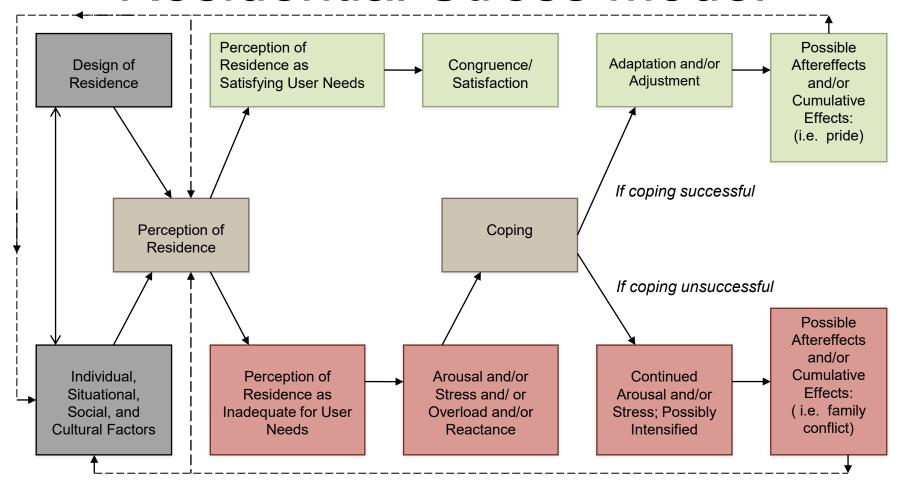
Place of dynamic psychosocial relationships:

- Shelter/ Protection
- Privacy
- Centrality
- Continuity
- Warmth
- Personalization/ Self-identity
- Aesthetics





## Residential Stress Model



#### **Mental Health Stress**

- Fear/Confusion
  - Transient neighbors
  - Systems (eviction threat)
- Social Isolation/Loneliness
  - Broken networks
  - Troubled family histories
- Anxiety/Depression
  - Housing health losses
  - Financial depletion
  - Liminality/temporal inbetweenness

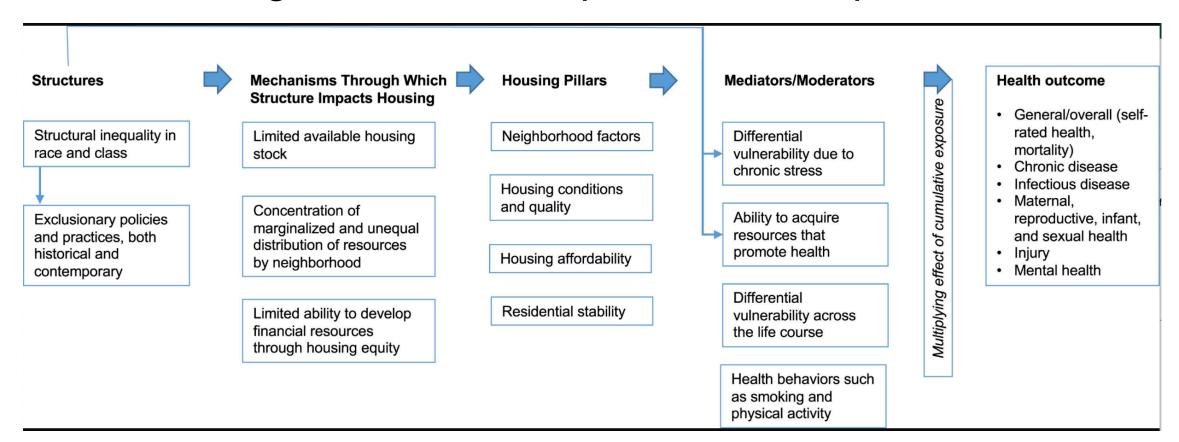
**Eclectic Environment-Behavior Model in Residential Settings** 

Adapted from (Bell, Greene, Fisher, & Baum, 2001, pp. 402-403)

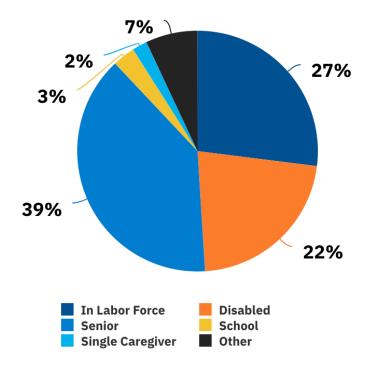




# Swope and Hernandez (2019) Housing and Health Disparities Conceptual Model



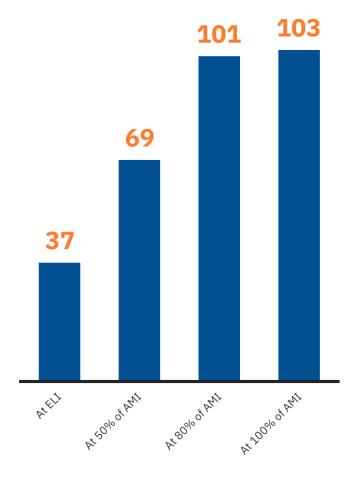
### EXTREMELY LOW INCOME RENTER HOUSEHOLDS



**Note:** Mutually exclusive categories applied in the following order: senior, disabled, in labor force, enrolled in school, single adult caregiver of a child under 7 or a person with a disability, and other. At the national level, 15% percent of extremely low income renter households include a single adult caregiver, more than half of whom usually work more than 20 hours per week. Eleven percent of extremely lowincome renter households are enrolled in school, 48% of whom usually work more than 20 hours per week.

Source: 2020 5-Year ACS PUMS

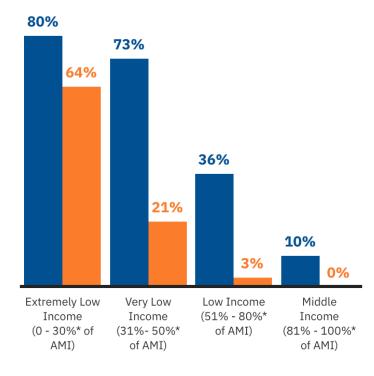
#### AFFORDABLE AND AVAILABLE HOMES PER 100 RENTER HOUSEHOLDS



**Source:** NLIHC tabulations of 2020 5-Year ACS PUMS

### HOUSING COST BURDEN BY INCOME GROUP





\*Or poverty guideline, if higher.

**Note:** Renter households spending more than 30% of their income on housing costs and utilities are cost burdened; those spending more than half of their income are severely cost burdened.

**Source:** NLIHC tabulations of 2020 5-Year ACS PUMS





# Aging-in-Place / Dementia-Friendly Planning

- Safe, Accessible, and Affordable Housing
- Community Support Services
- Access to Healthcare/ Crisis Intervention
- Transportation
- Safety Measures
- Social and Recreational Opportunities

- Caregiver Support
- Legal and Financial Support
- Technology and Communication
- Collective Advocacy and Policy Support
- Dementia-Friendly Spaces/Resources
  - Sensory-friendly environments
  - Recreational facilities/parks/activities





# Current Research: NIA-Funded Project



- Role of Resident Service Coordinators in supporting aging-in-place with the inclusion of dementia-friendly programming
- Mixed-methods project that includes CBPR with an affordable housing developer
- Communities' aging- and dementia-friendly program characteristics, readiness for enhancing programming, and perspectives of service use and potential improvements