

# Having Accessible and Affordable Housing Options

Creating housing options that are both accessible and affordable enables adults of all ages to remain independent and stay in place as they age.

**53%** and **76%**  
of adults 18 to 49 of adults 50+

want to **stay in their homes** for as long as possible.

**50%** currently share or would consider sharing their home.

Those who are not currently considering it would do so if they needed extra income, help with every day activities, or companionship.

**1 in 3** say they would consider building an **Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)** in the future to help care for or house a loved one, lower housing costs, or have someone living close by. 7% of adults currently have an ADU.

**56%** would be interested in joining a local village and

52% would be willing to pay an annual membership fee to do so.

**More than 30%** would require home modifications

like ramps, chair lifts, wider doorways, and bathroom updates to stay in their home.

 See the full survey report

Data reflects all adults, unless otherwise noted.

NORC at the University of Chicago conducted a survey from March-April 2018 for AARP. Almost 2000 adults 18 and older were interviewed about their community and their plans for the future.

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