

# Engaging the Aging Communities that Work for All Ages

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# Session Focus

- What can local government managers do to prepare for the “age wave” given revenue constraints?
- Examine low cost/no cost strategies to create a place where all can age well
- Tips and Techniques that work

# An Aging America

In 2011, the first of the Baby Boomers reached age 65.

By 2030, 1 in 5 Americans (over 70 million) will be over 65.

Today 3 million Americans are older than 85.

30% have Alzheimer's disease and 24% of them live in nursing homes

In 2020 there will be 7 million of the oldest old.

Many will not live in nursing homes and will be cared for by children who themselves are elderly.



# An Aging America

## Top challenges for older Americans:

- Finance
- Transportation
- Housing
- Health

(ICMA, Maturing of America Survey, 2011)

## Challenges for governments and service agencies:

- Service delivery difficult in areas with large, dispersed client populations
- More people need services while public resources have often decreased



# Questions/Comments?

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