



We have to talk about housing.

What does homelessness look like? Do you have a picture in your head?

Homelessness doesn't look the way you think it does.

People over 65 are the *fastest growing age group* in homelessness, and people over 50 represent nearly HALF of all individuals in homelessness.

As housing costs rise, and fixed incomes don't, more of our elders are falling into homelessness.



More than any other factor, homelessness is a result of housing costs.

One half of renters over 50 are rent-burdened, making them at increased risk of homelessness.

Seniors living on fixed incomes have seen their housing costs increase dramatically - but their checks haven't.

The most recent "Cost of Living" increase from Social Security is **5.9%**.
The current rate of inflation is **7.5%**.

If we care about our seniors, we have to keep them housed.

In the coming months, we will be talking about housing and homelessness - what we know, what needs to happen, and how you can help.

We can't end or prevent homelessness without increasing the supply of housing. If we want to prevent senior homelessness,

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Contact us at talkabouthousing@commteam.org to find out how you can help.

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