The Forgotten Middle



The Number of Middle-Income Seniors Will Nearly Double by 2029



Most Middle-Income Seniors Will Have Health Needs that Present Challenges to Living at Home

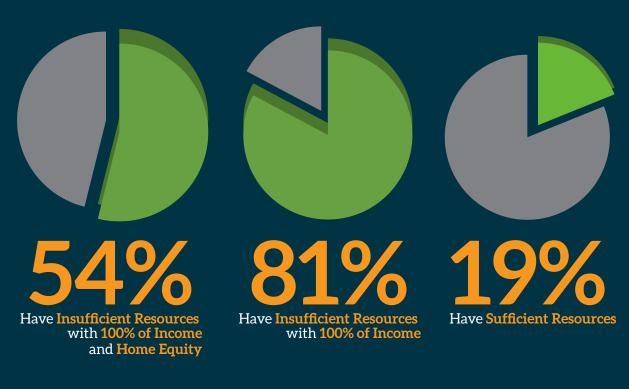
8% will have Cognitive Impairment

in 2029 (all 75+)

60% will have Mobility Limitations

20% will have High Needs (three or more chronic conditions and one or more functional limitation)

More Than Half of Middle-Income Seniors Won't Have the Financial Resources to Pay for Seniors Housing and Care



Both Private and Public Sectors Have A Role in Meeting the Needs of Middle-Income Seniors

Ideas for Private Sector:

- > Offering more basic housing products
- > Better leveraging technology
- Subsidizing middle-market residents with higher-paying residents
- More robustly engaging unpaid caregivers
- Developing innovative real estate financing models

Ideas for Public Sector:

- Offering tax incentives targeted to middle-income seniors.
- Expanding subsidy and voucher programs
- > Expanding Medicare coverage of non-medical supports and services
- Creating a new "Medicare Part E" benefit to cover long-term care
- Broadening Medicaid's coverage of home and community-based services

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