



HOPE

HOUSING OPTIONS FOR PEOPLE WITH EXCEPTIONALITIES

The Vision

HOPE's vision is to create an inclusive, mixed income community where all individuals, including those with developmental disabilities, can live meaningful and purposeful lives. The vision for this community was born from the belief that where we live matters, that all people should have the choice to live in a community of their choosing, with access to affordable housing.

The Challenge

➔ **North Carolina ranks 41st among the 50 states in their efforts to serve individuals with developmental disabilities.**

The Case for Inclusion (2019)

➔ **Nationwide, there is a critical lack of housing opportunities to address the unmet needs for individuals with disabilities.**

Priced Out: The Housing Crisis for People with Disabilities (2017)

➔ **Over 75% of people with I/DD live with families, and more than 25% of family care providers are over the age of 60 years.**

*People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
Growing Old: An Overview*

➔ **There are over 12,000 individuals with disabilities in North Carolina on a "waiting list" for services with similar demands for affordable housing with no funds available and an average wait time for between 10-12 years.**

North Carolina Medicaid Waiver Disability Services & Waivers (2019)

The Solution

- HOPE's mission, interest and commitment is to serve individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities by addressing the urgent and unmet need for affordable, accessible housing.
- Creating an inclusive, supportive housing solution for individuals with disabilities must begin at the local level and requires creative strategies that combine public and private financing.
- HOPE will achieve its mission by intentionally engaging neighbors of all abilities, ages, and incomes to create a supportive community. We are bringing together a diverse coalition of stakeholders, advocates and partners to adapt an innovative, award-winning housing model that's already being successfully employed in supportive housing developments around the country with different vulnerable populations.