

HEADLINES

- Approximately 4.1 million Americans are poised to turn 65 this year and every year through 2027, according to a [report](#) from the Alliance for Lifetime Income. Dubbed by experts as "**peak 65**" or the "silver tsunami," the figure represents the largest surge of retirement-age Americans in history.
- Nationally, 23% of **older Americans are living in poverty**; in Oregon the rate would be 43% in the absence of social security



POLICY OPPORTUNITIES

Leverage the Interagency Council on Homelessness

- **Ensure Supported Transitions from Health Systems**
 - Prioritize at the intersection of older adults, housing instability & medical complexity
 - Recuperative Care
 - Coordinated Entry
 - Rent Assistance & Housing Navigation
- **Reimagine Supportive Care**
 - Maximize Medicaid reimbursable services
 - Lower barriers to long term care eligibility & service priority levels
 - Build and support communities of practice
- **A Broader and Braided Continuum of Rent Assistance**
 - Older Oregonians need a blend of transition-based assistance, and two types of permanent rent assistance – full and partial
- **Housing Build Strategy for Older Adults**

1115 Waiver an Opportunity to Drive System Alignment

- **Housing stability & Health stability are inextricably linked**
- **Cost of Care & OHP Membership**
 - Rely on lower cost for high acuity, high cost populations
- **Opportunity to Align** (Population-based strategies)
 - State agencies
 - CCOs
 - Counties, CAAs, CoCs
 - CBOs
- **Opportunity to Build**
 - Systems of Housing Navigation, Care Coordination, & Crisis Response