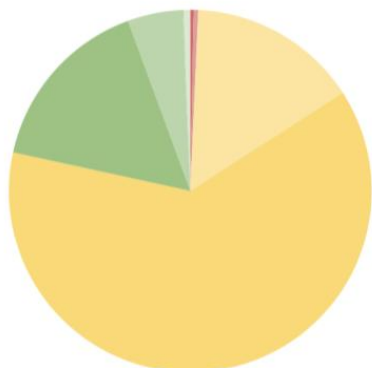


**Less than 16% of adults with developmental disabilities have their own home; over 77% are at risk of losing their housing within this decade**

- Homeless
- Developmental Center
- Congregate Facility
- Guardian's home
- Independent Housing
- Skilled Nursing Facility
- Secured Facility
- Other



## THE CHALLENGE

**As California confronts a historic housing crisis, few are more vulnerable than the 625,000 adults with developmental disabilities.**

These Californians are living with significant and long-term disabilities that affect their day-to-day living. This population only grows over time with increased diagnosis, longer life expectancy, and a growing California population.

**Less than 16% of adults with developmental disabilities own or rent their own homes,** others are unhoused or risk of losing their housing in the near future. This creates a large population that is vulnerable to displacement or homelessness. A single event – such as the death of a parent or guardian, closure of a group home, or eviction because of behavioral issues in unsupportive housing – could leave them with nowhere to go. They are the only population for whom independent, community-based housing can be required to receive vital services.

There is not enough community-based housing available for even a percentage of this population. Existing housing supply and funding opportunities fails to include this community because of the extremely low rents this population often requires, specific accessibility barriers, and the unique service and inclusion needs of this community.

## THE SOLUTION

**California needs a dedicated funding source or a specific and significant funding incentive in the state budget to ensure there are enough community-based housing units for adults with developmental disabilities.**

A dedicated funding source or development incentive – like the ones that exists for other at-risk groups such as veterans, seniors and people with mental illness – can help ensure that this population has the community-based housing they need to thrive, receive critical home-based services, and access employment and enrichment activities.

**Meeting the housing needs of adults with developmental disabilities ensures affordable housing will be accessible and inclusive to more Californians and is an integral part of a comprehensive solution to the statewide housing crisis.**

### Making Inclusion a Reality:



✓ **Affordable:** Finance communities that are affordable for all people – including those at the very lowest incomes



✓ **Accessible:** Design communities that are accessible to people with a range of abilities and locate communities accessible to jobs, services, transit, and recreation



✓ **Inclusive:** Support communities to be inclusive across ability, income, and background through staffing, programming, and community partnerships

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