ABSTRACT

CREATIVE PROJECT: The Aging U.S. Population and Their Adjustment to Changing Housing Needs: Development of a Training Module for Property Management Companies Providing Housing for Seniors

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Today 40 million people in the United States are age 65 or older; by the year 2050, this number is expected to double due to the large Baby Boom population (Jacobsen, Mather, Lee, & Kent, 2011). Hoven (2010) states that 78 million Baby Boomers began turning 65 in January of 2011. As the older adult population in the United States continues to grow, so does the need for transitions in housing. While many of these older adults prefer to remain in their current home as they age, this is not always a possibility and they may need to relocate to a more supportive form of housing in their later years. After an in-depth literature review was completed the researcher saw a need for further training opportunities to be made available for property managers working for companies that provide housing for seniors. Thus, an educational PowerPoint presentation and informational brochure was created to fill this gap.