

Communities for All Ages

Sample Focus Group Questions

For mixed age groups:

- What makes this community (neighborhood) a good place to live for children? Youth? Adults? Families? Older Adults?
- What is missing for each of these age groups? What would make life better for each of these groups?
- What are the greatest strengths of this community (neighborhood)? What works well?
- What are the most pressing problems or challenges facing this community (neighborhood)?
- How much interaction is there between age groups? What barriers exist that limit interaction across ages?
- Are there places in this community where different age groups gather?
- What are some ways that different generations could come together to improve this community?

For age-specific groups:

- What makes this community (neighborhood) a good place for you at this point in your life?
- What else do you need from this community to make your life better?
- If you were in charge of this community, what would you change to make it a better place to live?
- What do people your age have to contribute to other generations? What do you need from other generations?

Both of these could be either multi-cultural or only one ethnic/racial group.