Behavior of Over-55 Adults

- A majority of the population are mobile AND DON'T WANT TO SEE GRAB BARS, RAILINGS and the like.
- Mental disorders become more prevalent in seniors over 55, approximately 20% of adults exhibit one or more.
- Activities outside of the immediate residence are important to people 55 and over
- Suicide becomes more prevalent in older adults, with most occurring within a month of seeing their physician.
- Adults over 55 are typically more social than younger generations, so access to neighbors is important
- "AMENITIES" FOR SENIOR LIVING CAN'T BE presented as nursing home features, though they may come to serve those purposes, eventually.
- As the retirement age continues to increase, over-55 adults will continue to work or lead very active, engaged lifestyles for longer and longer.
- Millenials have fewer children than previous generations, meaning adults over 55 have fewer grandchildren, in turn.





The Developer

- 1. The client is a local developer in Greenville, NC interested in taking ADVANTAGE OF GREENVILLE'S access to both leisure and healthcare
- 2. The mission of the developer is to create a social yet safe environment where active individuals and couples close to retirement would like to live
- 3. Greenville is an ideal community for early retirees and seniors because it boasts a lively uptown district near the university, a great network of medical professionals and also a developing greenway and park system for outdoor enthusiasts







Overall SF = Approx. 2,200 SF

- Kitchen, 22x11, 242 SF
- Dining, 14x16, 224 SF
- Laundry/Pantry, 7x11, 77 SF
- Den, 17x14, 238 SF
- Master Bedroom, 22x15, 330 SF
- Master Bath, 16x11, 176 SF
- Guest Bedroom, 18x14, 252 SF
- Guest Bath, 14x11, 154 SF

Following an existing floorplan from a freestanding house, I decreased SF as that plan was well above the required space for a spacious unit, while knowing that most adults want to downsize from their current homes once they retire. The floorplan is very open for both accessibility and a luxurious feel.

The units will be arranged with four per floor so that each creates a corner of a square with all the private spaces having access to windows. The elevator will be housed in the center of this square as each unit has an interior corner that is clipped. There will also be two egress stairs at opposite ends of the building.

Inspiration









Process Work





