



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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## Reports & Resources

### More Routes = More Riders *CityLab* | [READ STORY](#)

Transit ridership dropped by 2.5 percent from 2016 to 2017, with a downturn in bus passengers leading the hemorrhaging. These declines have been in progress virtually across the board in North America since 2014. What's less clear is exactly why we're all getting off the bus. The price of gas has gone down in recent years, which may be leading more Americans to choose to drive. The economy has improved, which could mean more of us can afford to buy and drive cars. There's also the rise of ride-hailing services like Uber and Lyft; some studies have shown they're pulling more-affluent riders off transit at certain times of day.

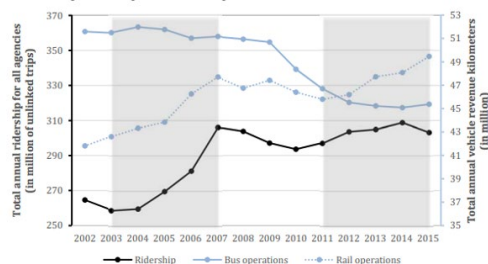


FIGURE 1 Ridership and operations per year (total for all US transit agencies)

### MT CD Update

The 2018 National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals (NACDEP) Conference website is updated with the [Schedule at a Glance](#) and [Presentation Schedule](#); more info [here](#).

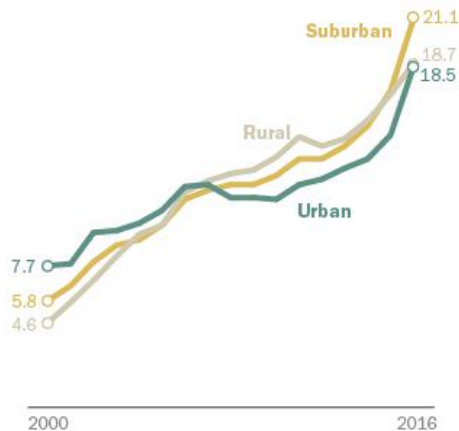
Please join the [International Association for Community Development](#) to celebrate our 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in Maynooth, Ireland June 24-27 at the [2018 World Community Development Conference](#). The IACD Annual General Meeting will be live streamed and recorded; more info will be posted on the [IACD website](#) soon.

## As Fatal Overdoses Rise, Many Americans See Drug Addiction as a Major Problem in Their Community *Pew Research Center* | [READ STORY](#)

Americans overwhelmingly see drug addiction as a problem in their local community, regardless of whether they live in an urban, suburban or rural area, according to a new Pew Research Center survey. The public's concerns come amid steep increases in the number and rate of fatal drug overdoses across all three community types in recent years.

### Suburban counties had the highest rate of fatal drug overdoses in 2016

*Age-adjusted drug overdose death rate per 100,000 U.S. residents, by community type*



Note: County categories based on the National Center for Health Statistics Urban-Rural Classification Scheme for Counties.

Source: Pew Research Center analysis of National Center for Health Statistics mortality data (CDC WONDER).

## Almost Half of US Families Can't Afford Basics like Rent or Food *CNN Money* | [READ STORY](#)

Nearly 51 million households don't earn enough to afford a monthly budget that includes housing, food, child care, health care, transportation and a cell phone, according to a study released recently by the United Way ALICE Project. That's 43% of

The 2018 Community Development Society (CDS) Conference registration is now open and posted on the [CDS Website](#).

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### Upcoming Events

#### 2018 NACDEP Conference

June 10-13, 2018  
Cleveland, Ohio  
Sponsor: NACDEP

#### Montana Coal Board

June 20, 2018  
Billings, MT  
Sponsor: Montana Community Development Division

#### World Community Development Conference, Ireland 2018

June 24-27, 2018  
Maynooth, Nr Dublin, Ireland  
Sponsor: IACD

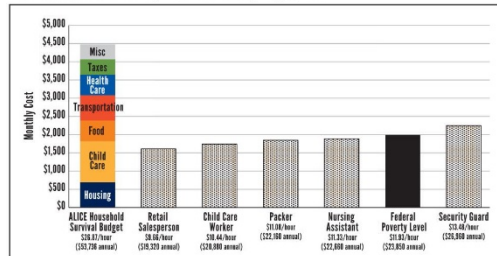
#### 2018 Community Development Society Conference

July 22-25, 2018  
Detroit, Michigan  
Sponsor: Community Development Society

### Grants, Awards & Jobs

households in the United States. California, New Mexico and Hawaii have the largest share of struggling families, at 49% each. North Dakota has the lowest at 32%.

ALICE Household Survival Budget vs. ALICE Monthly Wages, 2014



Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2014a; Child Care Aware of America, 2015; U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2014; Bloomberg, 2016; and Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), 2014 and 2014a

## U.S. Population Pyramid From 1980-2050

### Visual Capitalist | [READ STORY](#)

It's no secret that an aging population will be the source of major demographic challenges in the coming years. In 1975, the median age in the United States was just 28 years old. However, it's been rising fast as the Baby Boomers age, and it's expected to break the 40 year mark by 2030. This shift is so fundamental that its ripples will be felt in almost every area imaginable. How we manage this change will have implications on the economy, culture, and politics – and it will almost certainly affect our personal wealth and investments, as well.

### ["Night at the Museums" Civic Education Program](#)

Deadline: July 6  
Funder: U.S. Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina

### [Food and Agriculture Service Learning Program](#)

Deadline: July 6  
Funder: U.S. Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina

### [Collaborative Activities to Promote Cancer Cachexia Research](#)

Deadline: July 30  
Funder: National Institutes of Health

### [Community Facilities Programs](#)

Deadline: Ongoing  
Funder: Rural Development, USDA

### [NGO Small Grants Program](#)

Deadline: August 6  
Funder: Department of State

## National/International News

### [Atlantic Bay Sotheby's Donates \\$15,000 to Community Development Partnership](#)

Cape Cod Today, June 6

### [European Development Days 2018 Harps on Empowering Women for Sustainable Development](#)

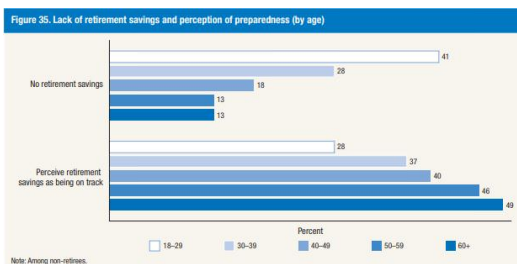
Africa News, June 6

### [ASU Student Fosters Connections with Taiwan](#)



## Report on the Economic Well-Being of U.S. Households Federal Reserve Board | [READ STORY](#)

The Federal Reserve Board released the fifth annual Report on the Economic Well-Being of U.S. Households. The report found that overall financial well-being continued to improve in 2017, extending the gains over the past five years. Yet, notable differences in well-being remain across race, ethnicity, education groups, and locations.



### [Pilot Tour and International Forum Project](#)

Arizona State University,  
June 6

### [Finance, Cottonou and Women Set to Dominate European Development Days](#)

Euractiv, June 6

## Montana News

### [Missoula Nonprofit Expands Home Buying Assistance Program](#)

Missoulian, June 6

### [Kalispell Looks for Community's Help to Design New Rail Trail](#)

NBC Montana, June 6

### [Spirit of Service Helps Elderly and Veterans in Montana](#)

8KPAX, June 6

### [Montana World Affairs Council: Cultivation Leads to Economic Development](#)

Missoula Current, June 6



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