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**PARSONS**

CHINATOWN RETHINKS  
WALKABLE  
NEIGHBORHOODS



## THE STORY OF SPACE AND LOVE IN CHINATOWN



"I have been here for more than 40 years. I am doing some fitting out works in both Chinatown and Flushing...My children are living in Flushing, but I prefer living here. I know every street here, I know the people here.....

I speak Fuzhou and very little Mandarin, and I cannot speak English. But it doesn't matter, I mean, I can still live in Chinatown since here are some people who originally from Fuzhou...However, I notice that those people are decreasing. Some of them moved to Sunset Park...They said the rent is lower and the food is cheaper there, but I still want to stay (in Chinatown)...

The main problem to me right now is the increasing rent... The landlord is trying to make me move out, so I am seeking help from Chinatown Tenant Union..."