

Enabling Design:

Micro to Macro

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The built environment
will effect behavior
no matter how well
or poorly it is designed

YOU
can provide solutions which
positively
shape people's lives

THE POWER OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

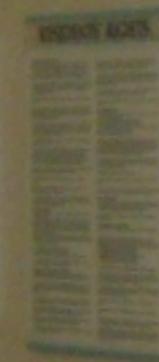
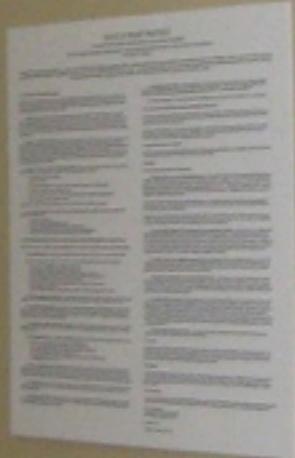
ENVIRONMENTAL FIT

- **Good Fit = independence**
- **Poor Fit = “Press”**
 - **stress to adapt to environment**

PROSTHETIC ENVIRONMENT

- **No demands within Abilities**
 - **atrophy**
 - **adoption of “sick role”**
 - **exacerbates decline of abilities**





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DEMANDING ENVIRONMENT

- **Demands beyond Abilities**
 - decreased independence
 - increased risk of accidents
 - exacerbates decline of abilities



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ENABLING DESIGN

- **Public Health Variable**
- **Reduced Falls Risk**
- **Reduced Environmental Press**
- **Improve Functioning**
- **Decrease Costs**





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VISITABILITY

- **Mandates**
- **Incentives**
- **Building Code**



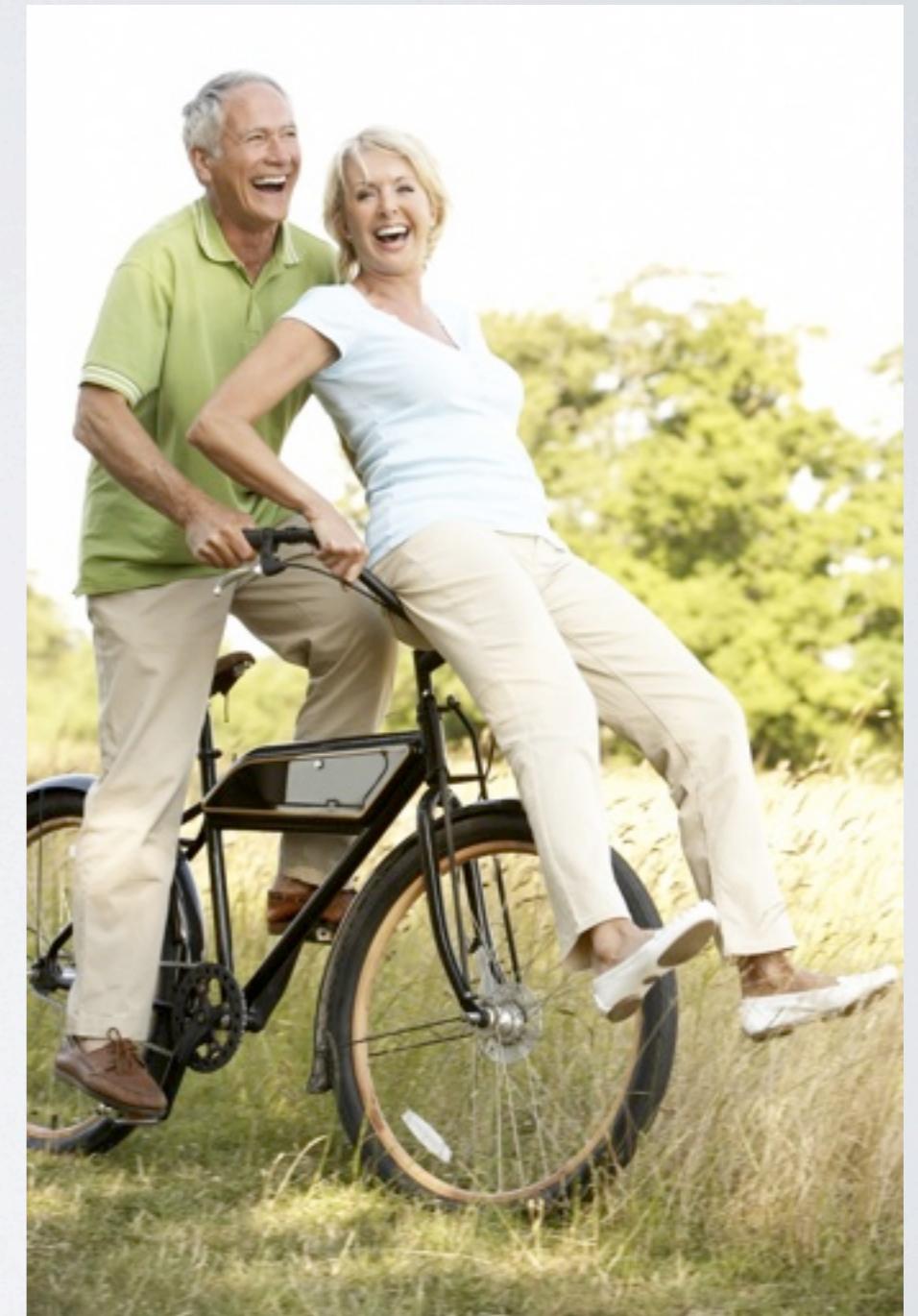
VISITABLE

- one zero-step entry
- 32" clear doorways
- 36" wide clear path
- at least a half bath
on first floor



LIVABLE COMMUNITIES

- DOT + HUD + EPA
- Sustainable
- Livable
- Aging in Place
- Aging in Community



AGE-FRIENDLY CITIES

- **World Health Organization**
- **NYC = 1st in US**
- **Benches, bathrooms, safe haven**
- **Rural translation**



SIMPLE SOLUTIONS

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GOLDEN GIRLS





YOU have the POWER

to

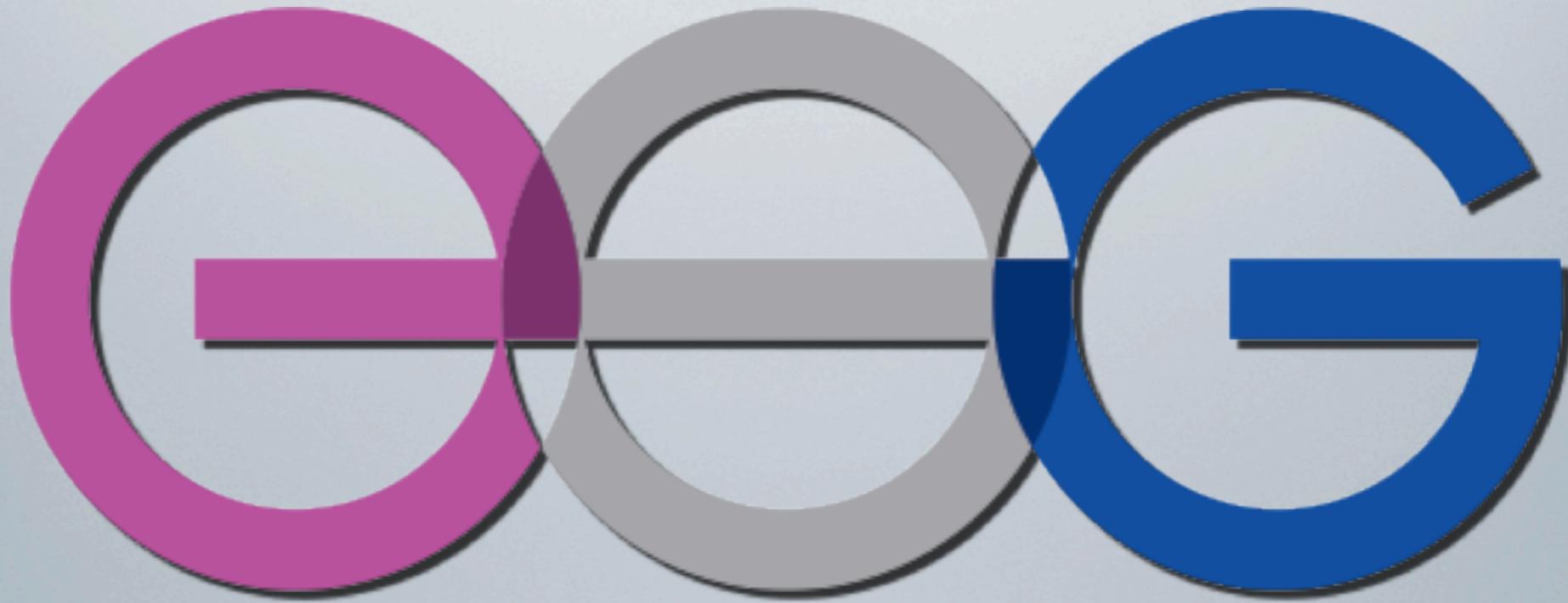
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Enable

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