

# **Is Your Community Prepared?**

A community that is dementia-informed, safe, inclusive, and respectful across all community sectors is a community prepared to support people living with Alzheimer's and their family and friend caregivers. It's a dementia friendly community.

## 94,000 Minnesotans age 65+ live with Alzheimer's disease and the number is growing.

Our communities must ACT to be ready. Here's why:



**One in ten** people **age 65+** has Alzheimer's.



#### **One-third** of people **age 85+** have Alzheimer's.



### Almost two-thirds

of people with Alzheimer's are **women**.



#### 254,000 caregivers

in Minnesota **are caring** for family members with Alzheimer's and other dementias.

### An estimated 70% of people

with Alzheimer's or other dementias live in the community and **need support** from families and community members.

#### Older African Americans and Hispanics

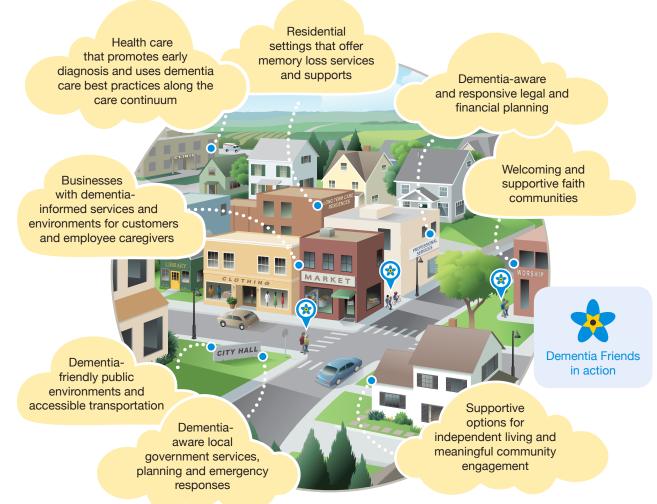
are **more likely** than older whites, on a per-capita basis, to have Alzheimer's or other dementias.



The toolkit has resources that assist communities through each action phase. Learn more at: www.actonalz.org/ dementia-friendly-toolkit



# **Dementia Friendly Community**



#### Creating a dementia friendly community includes:

- Raising awareness about dementia, changing the way people think, act and talk about dementia, and moving people to action as Dementia Friends
- Supporting family and friend caregivers by providing accessible information, resources, and in-person support
- Promoting meaningful participation in community life for everyone
- Including communities that experience inequities because of race, ethnicity, culture, language, sexual orientation, gender identity, mental illness, hearing/sensory differences, intellectual or physical abilities, and economic status

Visit www.ACTonALZ.org to learn about Minnesota communities ACTing on Alzheimer's, to download communitywide dementia friendly tools and resources, and to learn how to become a Dementia Friend and Dementia Friends Champion.



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