Higher-Density Development:

**MYTH**
No one in suburban areas wants higher-density development.

**FACTS**
- Our population is changing and becoming increasingly diverse.
- Many of these households now prefer higher-density housing and a mix of uses, even in suburban locations.

“...The groups growing the fastest, people in their mid-20s and empty nesters in their 50s, are the groups most likely to look for an alternative to low-density, single-family housing.”
This country’s population is changing, and so are its real estate preferences. Those lifestyle changes have significant implications for suburban development. There are more single-person households (28 percent) than married-couples-with-children households (19 percent).

Households by Type: 2018 (percentage of total)

- Married Couples with children (19%)
- Married Couples without children (29%)
- Other family households (17%)
- Individuals living alone (28%)
- Other nonfamily households (7%)


Higher-Density Development: Myth and Fact examines widespread misconceptions related to higher-density development and seeks to dispel them with relevant facts and information.

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