## Millennials and the Housing Decision

Millennial Preferences

Housing Alternatives

Rental Housing

Home Ownership

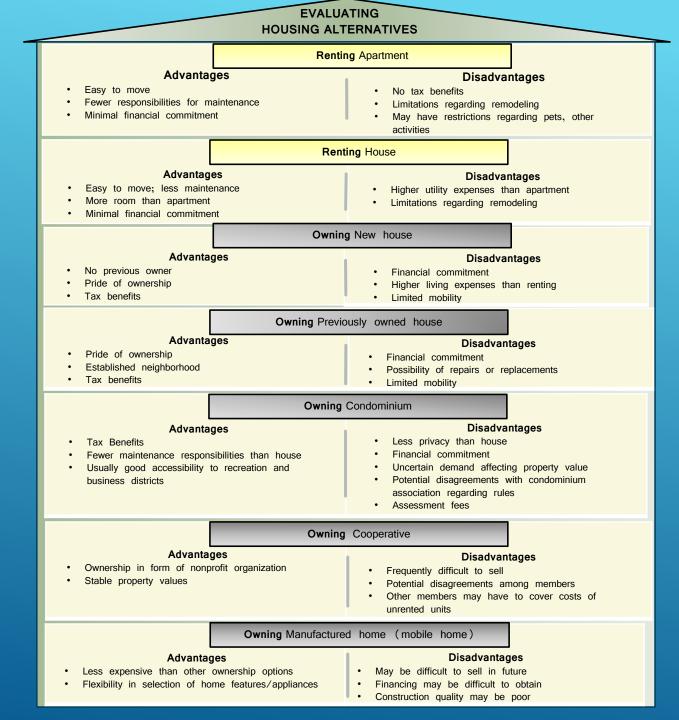
## Millennial Preferences

- Largest generation 87 million; Born 1981 1998; In 2015, ages 18 34
- Also known as Echo Boomers and Generation Y
- Characteristics affecting Real Estate choices
  - always connected generation
  - marry later
  - fewer children; love pets
  - less thrilled with automobiles; bikes are "in"
- Impact on residential real estate development
  - fueled tremendous demand for multi-family rental units creating dramatic growth in new apartments
  - catalysts for urban redevelopment flight back to cities



## Millennial Preferences ... Continued

- Growth in tech centers: San Francisco, Silicon Valley, Austin, Denver, Boston, New York
- Ok with smaller spaces as long as they are rich with amenities (internet, gym, social activities)
- Don't throw in towel on home ownership
  - survey shows Millennials want to own
  - financial crisis impact



Source: Personal Finance, 10th Edition, Kapoor

### <u>Rental Housing – Advantages/Disadvantages</u>

#### <u>Advantages</u>

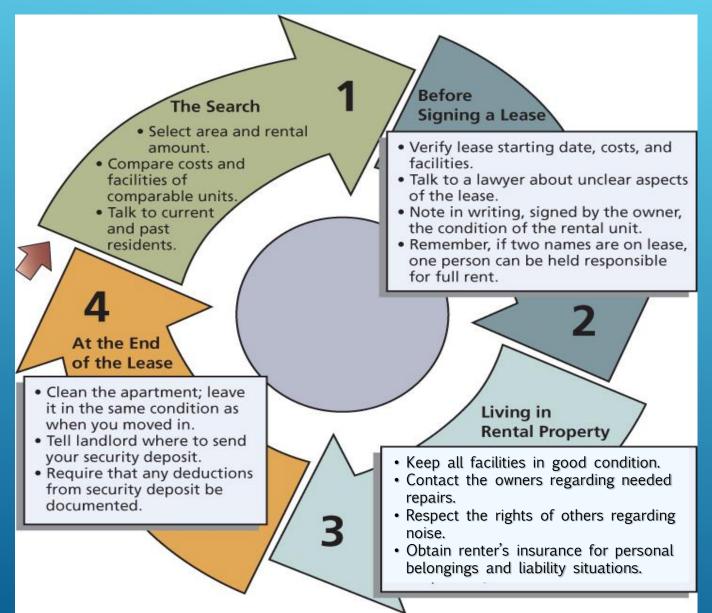
- Mobility
- Fewer responsibilities
- Lower initial costs

#### <u>Disadvantages</u>

- Few financial benefits
- Restricted lifestyle
- Legal details



#### Rental Housing Lifecycle



### Home Ownership – Advantages/Disadvantages

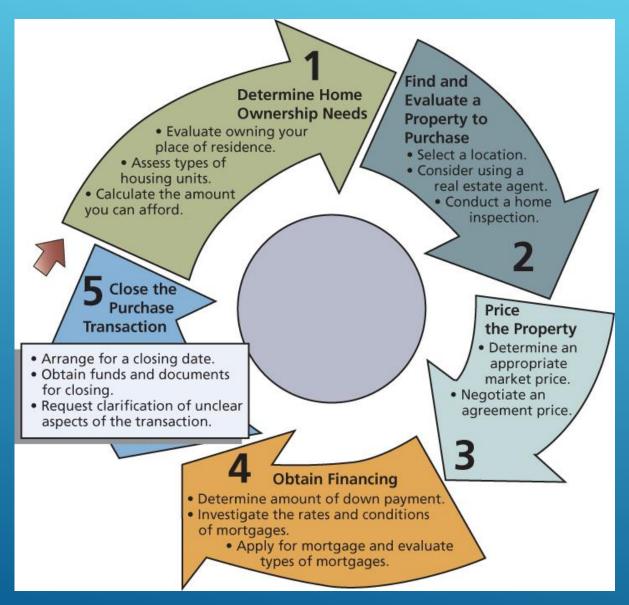
#### <u>Advantages</u>

- Financial benefits
- Lifestyle flexibility
- Pride of ownership

#### <u>Disadvantages</u>

- Financial uncertainty
- Limited mobility
- Higher living expenses

#### Home - Buying Process



# Thank you

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