

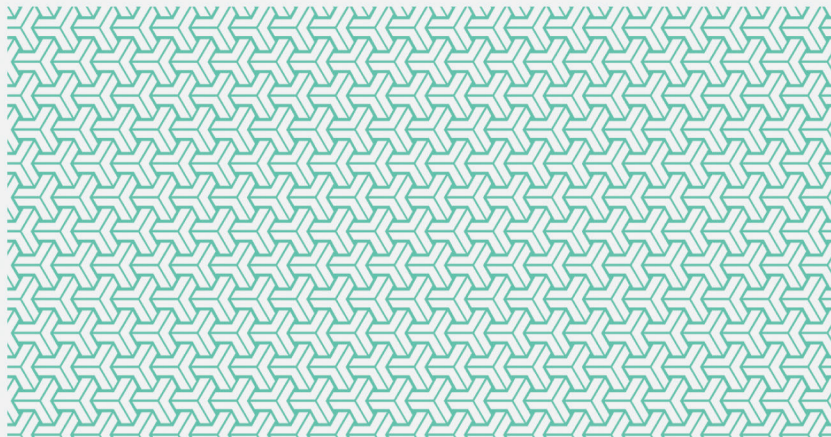
## 고령친화 생활환경 조성을 위한 건축도시정책의 개선방향 연구

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The rapid aging of the population in Korea requires a response to policies in the health and welfare sector as well as policies in the architecture and urban design sector. The World Health Organization's guidelines for responding to the aged society also set a comprehensive response to the physical, social, and service environment to create an age-friendly living environment as a basic principle. Nevertheless, the architecture and urban design policy to create an age-friendly living environment in Korea remains in the improvement of senior housing, institutional facility, and maintenance of the residential environment. On the other hand, Japan and the United States are taking the lead in improving the quality of life for the elderly and realizing Active Aging and Aging in Place. They designate regions and districts, create an age-friendly living environment through convergence of health welfare and architecture/urban design policies. This study reviewed the laws, plans, and cases on the creation of an age-friendly living environment in Korea. The laws, plans, and cases were analyzed by dividing them into regions, districts, facilities, places, programs, and services. The laws, plans, and cases review to create an age-friendly living environment in Japan and the United States were also divided into regions, districts, facilities, places, programs, and services. Implications for improving architecture/urban design policies related to the creation of an age-friendly living environment in Korea were drawn.

Based on the results of laws, plans, cases analysis in Korea, Japan, and the United States related to the creation of an age-friendly living environment, this study suggested three directions for improvement of architecture and urban design policies.

First, it is necessary to prepare various types of linkage between housing and care services for the elderly. It emphasized the need to overcome the limitations of existing low-income and dependent elderly-centered housing and support for care services, allowing middle- and high-income elderly and even healthy seniors to enjoy the linkage of age-friendly housing-care services. It is necessary to prepare various types of age-friendly housing-care services linkage that can cope with the diversified needs and living standards of the elderly.

Second, the designation of an age-friendly living area and the promotion of pilot projects were suggested. It emphasized the need to overcome the limitations of the current age-friendly urban environment in Korea, which remains in walking safety and traffic safety for the elderly through improvement of point-level facilities, It suggested for central and local governments to create a

comprehensive age-friendly living environment at the local and district levels. We look forward to the spread of comprehensive age-friendly living area projects through pilot projects and effectiveness verification.

Third, it was proposed to expand opportunities for social participation for the elderly based on an age-friendly living environment. The existing national policy to promote lifelong education, leisure and sports activities needs to overcome the limitations of insufficient linkage measures through the creation of an age-friendly living environment. It suggests the possibility of developing a model and pilot project for university-linked or lifelong education.

It is hoped that the direction of improvement in the architecture and urban design policy proposed by this study will help both senior individuals and local residents realize the active and healthy ageing within their daily living environment.

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