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**Healthcare Group Ideas**

- Growth in need for healthcare workers
  - Concerns
    - Quality of candidates/prior training, i.e., high school graduate; drug use; convictions
    - Number of training slots available
    - Coordination of funders/educational providers
    - Dollars for training
  - Opportunities for second careering
  - Opportunities to coordinate housing with medical support services and training opportunities (for both residents and caregivers)/intergenerational
  - Progressive aging – “aging in place” residential with support services (including healthcare), ex., supportive living to assisted living to skilled nursing to hospice --includes quality of life activities, including social/healthcare
  - Improve economic development through healthy living (reduce obesity, diabetes); providing reliable health-care library resources (federal funding is tenuous)
  - Using our retired community as a working resource (keeps them engaged, gives us expertise)
  - Leverage of recreation/tourism, and agriculture (CSA) to foster healthy living and small business (lack of quality food in rural communities)
  - Affordable – increase health/decrease costs