

Longevity

Over eight years,
I conducted an ethnographic study
examining the lives of children
growing up in Kensington, one of the
poorest neighborhoods in Philadelphia.

Babies born in the neighborhood
are expected to live to 71, which is
17 years less than babies born no more
than four miles away in the affluent,
predominantly white neighborhood of
Society Hill — and a life span on par
with countries such as Egypt,
Bhutan and Uzbekistan.

Nikhail Goyal,
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