

Home Modification  
and Repairs for Older  
Adults and Persons  
with Disabilities

AN INVENTORY OF  
STATE LEVEL ACTIVITIES

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Designed to illuminate the range of home modification and repair activities conducted by state-level agencies across the U.S., this compilation may be used to inform professionals, providers, and policymakers of programs and funding sources in their state, and the activities of other states for possible replication. Each state listing contains descriptions and contact information for home modification and repair programs of entities such as the state’s State Unit on Aging, Medicaid Waiver Offices, Assistive Technology Programs, and state fall prevention coalitions.

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## Background

The home environment plays a critical role in adults' ability to stay in their homes and communities as they age, commonly referred to as aging in place. However, numerous barriers challenge older adults' and caregivers' ability to access home assessment, modification, and repair services. In response, the Administration for Community Living (ACL) funded the University of Southern California (USC) Leonard Davis School of Gerontology to implement the project, "Promoting Aging in Place by Enhancing Access to Home Modifications." With a focus on the aging network, its goal is to address barriers to home modification service delivery by increasing the availability and awareness of home modification at the national, state, and local levels to support aging in place.

In the last decade, home modification and repairs have risen on the public agenda. The home environment is increasingly included in discussions about health in later life, underscoring its importance in aging in place. By 2060, the 65+ population is projected to nearly double from 49 million in 2016 to 98 million (Administration for Community Living, 2018). The overwhelming preference of older adults is to stay in their homes for as long as possible (AARP, 2012). Aging in place maintains access to resources, social connections, and supports independence (Pynoos et al., 2006).

With aging populations and cost constraints, state home and community-based care systems are challenged to provide home modification and repairs that support older adults at home. These services are funded and administered at local, state, and national levels by disparate government agencies, yet state level agencies' roles in maximizing access to home modifications and repairs have not been well understood. This document compiles results from an environmental scan which sought to develop a knowledge base of state home modification and repair activities and programs for older adults and persons with disabilities with an emphasis on Area Agencies on Aging and State Units on Aging.

Primary and secondary data were collected about state and local home modification and repair activities, including types of services provided, eligibility criteria, funding sources, and policies. Examples of data sources include, but are not limited to: surveys of State Units on Aging and Area Agencies on Aging to ascertain efforts in home modification and repair (reports: [State Units on Aging Efforts in Home Modification](#) and [Area Agencies on Aging Efforts in Home Modification and Repair](#)); reviews of state and local home modification providers, with a focus on voluntary, Aging Network, and other non-profit entities; a collection of all State Medicaid Waiver programs that include an environmental modification component; State Agencies on Aging and Disabilities' State Plans; reports from the National Core Indicators Aging and Disability (NCI-AD) Initiative, and state fall prevention coalitions.

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# ALABAMA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR SERVICES (State Unit on Aging)

<http://www.alabamaageline.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities.

1. **Alabama Cares Program** <http://www.alabamaageline.gov/programs-no-video-8-30-2017.html#adrc2>

Program Description: Under the Alabama Cares Program, Caregivers Supplemental Services, caregivers may qualify on a limited basis for incontinent supplies, minor home modifications, assistive technology, and emergency response alarms to family caregivers.

Population Served: Caregivers in Alabama who provide daily care to someone who has a disability, Alzheimer's Disease or some form of dementia, or is frail.

2. **Home and Community-Based Services for the Alabama Community Transition (ACT) Waiver**

[https://medicaid.alabama.gov/content/6.0 LTC Waivers/6.1 HCBS Waivers/6.1.1 ACT Waiver.aspx](https://medicaid.alabama.gov/content/6.0_LTC_Waivers/6.1_HCBS_Waivers/6.1.1_ACT_Waiver.aspx)

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver, operated by the Alabama Department of Senior Services, provides services to individuals with disabilities or long-term illnesses who currently live in a nursing facility and desire to transition to the home and community setting. The code provides home modifications for physical adaptations of the home required by the individual's Plan of Care. The limit on home modification is \$5,000 per waiver participant and the state coordinator must approve any expenditure in excess of the maximum allowed amount and the Medicaid designated personnel.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals with disabilities or long-term illnesses who currently live in a nursing facility and desire to transition to the home and community setting.

## ALABAMA MEDICAID AGENCY

<https://medicaid.alabama.gov/>

### 1. Home and Community-Based Waiver for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities

<https://medicaid.alabama.gov/content/6.0 LTC Waivers/6.1 HCBS Waivers/6.1.5 ID Waiver.aspx>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver, operated by the Alabama Department of Mental Health, provides services including home modifications to intellectually disabled adults and children who would otherwise qualify for care in an intermediate care facility for the intellectually disabled. Environmental accessibility adaptation services may include those to accommodate medical equipment and supplies necessary for the welfare of the waiver recipient (e.g., installation of ramps and grab bars, widening of doorways, modifications of bathroom facilities, or installation of specialized electric and plumbing systems).

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible adults and children with intellectual disabilities who would otherwise qualify for care in an intermediate care facility.

### 2. State of Alabama Independent Living Waiver Program

<https://medicaid.alabama.gov/content/6.0 LTC Waivers/6.1 HCBS Waivers/6.1.6 Sail Waiver.aspx>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver, operated by the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services, provides support to adults 18 years or older with a disability who have specific medical diagnoses and would otherwise qualify for care in a nursing care facility. Supportive Services include environmental accessibility adaptations.

Population Served: Adults 18 years or older with a disability who have a specific medical diagnosis.

## ALABAMA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### STAR, Alabama's Assistive Technology Act Program

<http://www.rehab.alabama.gov/individuals-and-families/star>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

# ALASKA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES: DIVISION OF SENIOR AND DISABILITY SERVICES (State Unit on Aging)

<http://dhss.alaska.gov/dsds/Pages/default.aspx>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **Environmental Modification (E-Mod) Home Accessibility Program**

<http://dhss.alaska.gov/dsds/Pages/emod/default.aspx>

Program Description: This program is designed to assist Alaska Medicaid Waiver beneficiaries with modifications to the home to maintain independence. Modifications have a cost cap of \$18,500 that is renewable every 3 years. The State Unit on Aging, Division of Senior and Disabilities Services approves all project estimates submitted by the recipient's care coordinator.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible Alaska citizens.

2. **Home and Community-Based Medicaid Waivers**

<http://dhss.alaska.gov/dsds/Pages/HCBWprogram.aspx>

Program Description: Alaska's Home and Community-Based Waivers provide support to individuals with physical or developmental disabilities so that they may live in their homes or communities. Four waivers include environmental modifications: Alaskans Living Independently; Adults with Physical and Developmental Disabilities; Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities; and Children with Complex Medical Conditions.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals who meet an institutional level of care. For more information, visit:

[http://dhss.alaska.gov/dsds/Documents/pdfs/SDS\\_MedWaiverBrochure.pdf](http://dhss.alaska.gov/dsds/Documents/pdfs/SDS_MedWaiverBrochure.pdf)

## ALASKA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

### 1. Housing Accessibility Improvement Program (HAIP) Grant Program

<http://www.alaskacdc.org/housing-accessibility-improvement-program.html>

Program Description: The HAIP Grant is funded through the State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services in cooperation with the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority. The grants fund accessibility improvements to existing homes to address functional limitations for residents with disabilities. Intake closed 12/19 and may reopen in 2021.

Population Served: Residents with disabilities of any age who also fall into one of the following categories: 1) Alzheimer's Disease and related dementia conditions; 2) brain injury; 3) chronic alcoholism; 4) intellectual/developmental disability; 5) mental illness; or 6) other individuals with disabilities and/or special needs (including frail elderly).

### 2. Seniors Housing Accessibility Modification Program

<http://www.alaskacdc.org/senior-accessibility-program.html>

Program Description: This Program provides grants for modifications to improve accessibility for Alaskans age 55 years or older. Grants may be up to \$15,000 for eligible senior households in owner-occupied homes, up to \$10,000 for eligible older tenants in rental housing, or up to \$7,000 for eligible tenants living in small (5 beds or less) state-licensed assisted living facilities. Modifications cannot exceed \$14,000 per assisted living facility.

Population Served: Low-income older adults over the age of 55.

## NEIGHBORWORKS - ALASKA

### Home Modification and Accessibility Grant Program

<https://www.nwalaska.org/home-ownership/home-modification-accessibility-grant>

Program Description: The Home Modification and Accessibility Grant is available to assist Alaskans with disabilities or who are Mental Health Trust beneficiaries. The grant provides funds for home modifications that support a safer home environment. There are no age or income restrictions to apply for this grant. Owner-occupied single family homes are eligible for up to \$15,000 and renters are eligible for up to \$12,000 in grant funding.

Population Served: Persons with disabilities and Mental Health Trust beneficiaries in Alaska.



## **STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL OF ALASKA**

### **Home Accessibility & Enabling Technology Pilot Project**

<https://sites.google.com/hcbs.info/aketpilot/home>

Program Description: This pilot project funded by the Alaska Mental Health Trust and the Mat-Su Health Foundation is examining how home accessibility modifications and enabling technologies may impact participants' lives by: 1) increasing independence and self-esteem; 2) improving satisfaction and quality of life; 3) becoming more active and integrated in the community; 4) improving health and/or safety; and 5) helping to achieve personal goals.

Population Served: Some eligibility criteria include: Individuals 18 years or older who are enrolled in a Medicaid Waiver program and reside in a home owned or rented by themselves, a family member, or friend.

## **ALASKA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Assistive Technology of Alaska (ATLA)**

<https://www.atlaak.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **ALASKA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Alaska Commission on Aging**

<http://dhss.alaska.gov/acoa/Pages/falls/default.aspx>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# ARIZONA

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### ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

(State Unit on Aging)

<https://des.az.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Specific program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

**Family Caregiver Support Program** <https://des.az.gov/services/older-adults/family-caregiver-support>

Program Description: The Arizona Family Caregiver Support Program provides direct services to caregivers, including counseling, respite care, and supplemental services that complement care provided by caregivers. This includes home modifications, which can be reimbursed 50% for home modifications, and assistive care technology up to \$1,000 for one or more care recipients.

Population Served: The qualified family member must be 18 years or older and require help with one or more activities of daily living. Funding is limited and is distributed on a first come first served basis.

### ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM

#### Arizona Long Term Care System

<https://www.azahcccs.gov/Members/GetCovered/Categories/nursinghome.html>

Program Description: The Arizona Long Term Care System (ALTCS) acts as health insurance for individuals who are age 65 or older, or who have a disability, and who require nursing facility level of care. Services may be provided in an institution or in a home or community-based setting. Individuals eligible for ALTCS may receive home modifications that remove barriers to increase independence in the homes. This service covers only modifications to an existing structure and not adding on to the home. Modifications can be made to individuals' or family-owned homes where the person with a disability resides. If the home is rented, the owner must give written consent to modify the home. The owner may require that the renter restore the premises to the condition that existed prior to the modification.

Population Served: Eligible individuals include those who are age 65 or older, or who have a disability, and who require nursing facility level of care.

## **ARIZONA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Arizona Technology Access Program (AzTAP)**

<https://aztap.org/>

AzTAP assists persons with disabilities of all types and ages as well as family members, service providers, employers and the general public to become better educated about the value and use of assistive technology. The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **ARIZONA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Arizona Department of Health Services BTCD, Arizona Healthy Aging (A-HA)**

<https://www.azdhs.gov/prevention/tobacco-chronic-disease/healthy-aging/falls-prevention/index.php>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# ARKANSAS

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### ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: DIVISION OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://humanservices.arkansas.gov/about-dhs/daabhs/aging-and-adult-services>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Additionally, state level programs through the State Unit on Aging that include home modification and repair include:

#### **ARChoices in Home Care** <https://humanservices.arkansas.gov/about-dhs/daabhs/aging-and-adult-services/archoices-in-homecare>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver program provides home and community-based services for adults ages 21-64 with a physical disability and adults age 65 or older. It includes environmental accessibility adaptations/adaptive equipment as a home and community-based waiver service. It provides physical adaptations to the beneficiary's home to promote independence, health and safety. Examples of adaptations include installing wheelchair ramps, widening doorways, modifying bathroom facilities, installing grab bars, and installing overhead tracks for transferring. Adaptations for general utility repairs and adaptations which add total square footage to the home are excluded. The lifetime benefit for this service is \$7,500 (as of 2019).

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible Arkansas residents ages 2-64 years with a physical disability and adults age 65 years or older.

### ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES

#### **Developmental Disability Services Alternative Community Services (DDS ACS)**

<https://humanservices.arkansas.gov/about-dhs/ddds/waiver-services>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver program is for persons with severe, chronic developmental disabilities that started before the age of 22. It provides home and community-based services that include environmental modifications in support of community-based living.

Population Served: Residents of Arkansas who qualify for Medicaid and have a severe, chronic developmental disability and are eligible for the level of care required by an intermediate care facility.

## **ARKANSAS STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

**Injury & Violence Prevention Section Chief Arkansas Department of Health  
Trauma Program UAMS Medical Center**

<https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/fall-prevention>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

## **ARKANSAS STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **iCan Tools for Life**

<https://ar-ican.org>

The Increasing Capabilities Access Network (iCAN) connects Arkansans with technology to help them learn, work, communicate and live more independently.

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

# CALIFORNIA

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### STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING

(State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.aging.ca.gov>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Additionally, program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

**Older Americans Act Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program:  
Supplemental Services – Minor Home Modifications**

[https://www.aging.ca.gov/Providers\\_and\\_Partners/Area\\_Agencies\\_on\\_Aging/Family\\_Caregiver\\_Support/Program\\_Narrative\\_and\\_Fact\\_Sheets/](https://www.aging.ca.gov/Providers_and_Partners/Area_Agencies_on_Aging/Family_Caregiver_Support/Program_Narrative_and_Fact_Sheets/)

Program Description: The Family Caregiver Support Program is designed to address the needs of informal, unpaid family caregivers through supportive services. Services may include minor modifications of homes that are necessary to facilitate the ability of caregivers and care recipients to remain at home and that are not available under other programs.

Population Served: Informal caregivers of older adults and older relative caregivers with primary caregiving responsibilities for a child, or individuals with a disability.

### CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES

1. **California Community Transitions (CCT)**

<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/ltc/Pages/CCT.aspx>

Program Description: California's version of the federal Money Follows the Person (MFP) Rebalancing Demonstration program is known as California Community Transitions. Its goal is to facilitate a safe and successful transition from an institutional setting back to the community. The services provided include home modification, up to \$7,500 maximum per lifetime.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals of all ages with physical and mental disabilities who have continuously resided in state-licensed health care facilities for a period of 90 consecutive days or longer.

2. **Home and Community-Based Alternatives Waiver**

[https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/ltc/Pages/Home-and-Community-Based-\(HCB\)-Alternatives-Waiver.aspx](https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/ltc/Pages/Home-and-Community-Based-(HCB)-Alternatives-Waiver.aspx)

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver program provides care management services via a nurse and social worker team to persons who are at risk for nursing home or institutional placement. The care management team coordinates Waiver and State Plan services, such as medically necessary environmental accessibility adaptations, and arranges for other available long-term services and supports available in the local community.

Population Served: Medi-Cal eligible Californians who have a long-term medical condition(s) and who meet the acute hospital subacute nursing facility, skilled nursing facility B (skilled) or A (intermediate) level of care with the option of returning to and/or remaining in his/her home or home-like setting in the community in lieu of institutionalization.

3. **Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for the Developmentally Disabled (HCBS-DD)**

<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/Pages/HCBSDDMediCalWaiver.aspx>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver program provides home and community-based services to persons with developmental disabilities as an alternative to care provided in an intermediate care facility for people with intellectual disabilities. Services include environmental accessibility adaptations for individuals with a severe, chronic disability acquired before age 18.

Population Served: Medi-Cal eligible individuals with a formal diagnosis of a developmental disability that originates before the age of 18 and would otherwise receive care in an intermediate care facility.

4. **In-Home Operations Waiver** (<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/ltc/Pages/In-Home%20Operations.aspx>)

Program Description: The In-Home Operations Waiver provides services in the home or in the community to Medi-Cal beneficiaries who would otherwise receive care in a skilled nursing facility. The level of care per waiver participant is determined by medical need and a physician through a completed Plan of Treatment and a home evaluation. Environmental accessibility adaptations are a covered service if deemed necessary.

Population Served: Medi-Cal eligible individuals who meet other functional criteria.

5. **Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP)**

<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/Pages/MSSPMedi-CalWaiver.aspx>

Program Description: The MSSP Waiver provides home and community-based services to Medi-Cal eligible individuals who are 65 years or older and disabled as an alternative to nursing facility placement. The waiver program includes environmental accessibility adaptations.

Population Served: Medi-Cal eligible individuals age 65 and older who, but for the provision of such services, would require the Nursing Facility level of care and who reside in a county with an MSSP Site.

## **CALIFORNIA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Ability Tools**

<http://www.abilitytools.org/>

A program of the California Foundation for Independent Living Centers.

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **CALIFORNIA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **StopFalls Network California**

<http://www.stopfallscalifornia.org/>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>



# COLORADO

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES/STATE UNIT ON AGING (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdhs/state-unit-aging>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities.

### COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING

<https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf>

**Home Modification Benefit** <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/home-modification-benefit>

Program Description: The Home Modification Benefit is a Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program) benefit that covers specific home modifications in an eligible client's existing home setting (\$14,000 lifetime maximum). The Home Modification Benefit is available through the following state Medicaid Waiver programs:

1. **Brain Injury Waiver**  
<https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/brain-injury-waiver-bi>  
Population Served: This waiver is an extra set of Health First Colorado benefits for people with a brain injury who need extra support to live in their communities.
2. **Children's Extensive Support (CES) Waiver**  
<https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/childrens-extensive-support-waiver-ces>  
Population Served: This waiver provides services and supports, including home modifications, to help children up to the age of 17 who have developmental disabilities establish a long-term foundation for community inclusion as they grow into adulthood.
3. **Children's Home and Community Based Services (CHCBS) Waiver**  
<https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/childrens-home-and-community-based-services-waiver-chcbs>

Population Served: This waiver provides case management and in-home support, including the home modification benefit, for medically fragile children up to 17 years of age with significant medical needs and who are at risk for institutional care in an acute hospital or skilled nursing facility.

4. **Community Mental Health Supports Waiver (CMHS)**

<https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/community-mental-health-supports-waiver-cmhs>

Population Served: This program provides assistance to people with mental illnesses that require long-term supports and services in order to remain in a community setting.

5. **Developmental Disabilities Waiver**

<https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/developmental-disabilities-waiver-dd>

Population Served: This Home and Community-Based Services Waiver provides access to 24-hour, seven days a week supervision for individuals age 18 years or older through Residential Habilitation and Day Habilitation Services and Supports. Living arrangements vary and services may include home modification.

6. **Elderly, Blind, & Disabled Waiver (EBD)**

<https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/elderly-blind-disabled-waiver-ebd>

Population Served: This program provides assistance to people age 65 and older who have a functional impairment or are blind, and to people age 18-64 who are physically disabled or have a diagnosis of HIV or AIDS and require long-term support and services in order to remain in a community setting.

7. **Home and Community-Based Supported Living Services Waiver (SLS)**

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/supported-living-services-waiver-sls>

Population Served: This waiver serves adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities with home modification as one eligible service.

8. **Spinal Cord Injury Waiver (SCI)** <https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/spinal-cord-injury-waiver>

Population Served: This program is geographically limited to people living in the Denver Metro Area with spinal cord injuries.

## COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

<https://www.colorado.gov/cdhs>

### 1. **Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP)**

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdhs/program-eligibility>

Program Description: The benefits of LEAP include repair and replacement of a home's primary heating system, such as a furnace or wood-burning stove.

Population Served: Colorado residents who earn a maximum family household income that does not exceed 60% of the state median income level.

### 2. **Single Family Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program**

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dola/home-program>

Program Description: The Colorado Division of Housing works with 14 non-profit organizations throughout the state to connect with homeowners in need of repairs through its pool of single family rehabilitation dollars. These funds are used for any health and safety defects and repairs including roofing, plumbing, and wiring repairs.

Population Served: Low-income residents through local governments, community housing development organization, and non-profit and for-profit housing developers.

## COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS

### **Home Modification Tax Credit**

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dola/home-modification-tax-credit>

Program Description: Colorado passed the Income Tax Credit for Retrofitting Home for Health bill (HB18-1267) in 2019 to create a state income tax credit of up to \$5,000 to help people with an illness, impairment or disability as well as their spouses or dependents to retrofit their residence for greater accessibility and independence. The tax credit is available for modifications completed in tax years 2019 through 2023.

Population Served: Colorado state income taxpayers with an illness, impairment or disability that necessitates the requested home modification. Current income eligibility requirements may be found on the website.

## COLORADO STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### **Assistive Technology Partners**

<http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/AssistiveTechnologyPartners/Pages/Home.aspx>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **COLORADO STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Colorado Adult Falls Prevention Coalition**

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/fallsprevention>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# CONNECTICUT

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### CONNECTICUT STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES (State Unit on Aging)

<https://portal.ct.gov/AgingAndDisability>

**State Units on Aging (SUAs)** are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including **Older Americans Act** funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local **Area Agencies on Aging** and other state and local entities. Efforts with home modification or repairs include:

1. The Connecticut State Department of Aging and Disability Services works with bureaus within its larger **Aging and Disability Department** to connect older adults with low-interest loans for minor modifications like ramps, stairlifts, grab bars as well as connect older adults with agencies who provide home modifications.
2. **National Family Caregiver Support Program:** The Connecticut State Department of Aging and Disability Services provides National Family Caregiver Support Program supplemental services funding for home modifications through the Area Agencies on Aging. <https://portal.ct.gov/AgingandDisability/Content-Pages/Programs/National-Family-Caregiver-Support-Program#Program%20Services>

### CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

<https://portal.ct.gov/DSS/Services/Health-and-Home-Care>

1. **Acquired Brain Injury Waiver Program**  
<https://portal.ct.gov/DMHAS/Programs-and-Services/Statewide-Services/Acquired-Brain-Injury-Program>  
Program Description: This program provides person-centered support services, including environmental accessibility adaptation, to individuals with an acquired brain injury who are age 18 and older.  
Population Served: Individuals with an acquired brain injury who are age 18 and older.

2. **Home Care Program for Elders** <https://portal.ct.gov/dss/Health-And-Home-Care/Connecticut-Home-Care-Program-for-Elders/Connecticut-Home-Care-Program-for-Elders-CHCPE>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver program administered by the Connecticut Department of Social Services serves adults age 65 and older who are either at risk of institutionalization or meet nursing home level of care. Services include minor home modifications.

Population Served: Clients must meet functional and financial eligibility criteria.

## **CONNECTICUT STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Connecticut Tech Act Project (CTTAP)**

<http://cttechact.com/#sthash.15fQYPMA.FmKvdl7J.dpbs>

The Connecticut Tech Act Project operates out of the Department of Aging and Disability Services. The goal is to help individuals with disabilities of all ages and all disabilities, as well as family members, employers, educators and other professionals have access to Assistive Technology devices and services.

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## **CONNECTICUT STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Connecticut Falls Prevention Coalition**

<https://medicine.yale.edu/intmed/geriatrics/fallprevention/>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# DELAWARE

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### DIVISION OF SERVICES FOR AGING AND ADULTS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES (State Unit on Aging)

<https://dhss.delaware.gov/dsaapd/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Other efforts include:

#### **The Home Modification Program**

<https://dhss.delaware.gov/dsaapd/homemod.html>

Program Description: The statewide Delaware Home Modification Program pays for modifications to be made to the home of a person age 18 years or older with a permanent or long-term physical disability. Modifications are made to permanent residences only. Funds are made available when no other funding source is available or when funds from another source are not adequate to pay for the needed modifications.

Population Served: Delaware residents age 18 years or older who have a permanent or long-term physical disability.

### DELAWARE DIVISION OF MEDICAID & MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

<https://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dmma/>

#### 1. **Delaware Diamond State Health Plan (DSHP) Plus**

<https://dhss.delaware.gov/dmma/dshpplus.html>

Program Description: The Delaware Diamond State Health Plan is a Section 1115 Waiver program administered by Medicaid Managed Care Organizations. It provides minor home modification services up to \$6,000 per project; \$10,000 per year; \$20,000 lifetime. It includes certain home mobility aids (e.g., wheelchair ramp, handrails for interior or exterior stairs or steps, grab bars) and minor physical adaptations to the interior of a residence to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the resident or that increase mobility and accessibility within the residence, such as widening of doorways or modification of bathroom facilities.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible residents who meet the waiver criteria.

2. **Money Follows the Person Demonstration (MFP): “Finding A Way Home” Program**

<https://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dmma/mfphome.html>

Program Description: The Money Follows the Person Demonstration Program is a special project funded by the federal government and the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance to assist eligible individuals that choose to move from an eligible long-term care facility to an eligible residence in the community with available community services and supports. The program provides home accessibility modifications. There is a limit of \$2,500 per lifetime.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals who have resided in an inpatient facility, are over the age of 65; between the ages 18-64 with a physical disability; or who have a developmental disability.

## **DELAWARE STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Delaware Assistive Technology Initiative (DATI)**

<https://www.cds.udel.edu/at/dati/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **DELAWARE STATE HOUSING AUTHORITY**

### **Statewide Emergency Home Repair Program (SERP)**

[http://www.destatehousing.com/HomeOwnership/homeownermedia/serp\\_card.pdf](http://www.destatehousing.com/HomeOwnership/homeownermedia/serp_card.pdf)

Program Description: The Statewide Emergency Repair Program (SERP) offers assistance with emergency conditions including urgent accessibility modifications. SERP is executed by the Milford Housing Development Corporation to provide timely emergency help through various statewide partnerships.

Population Served: Delaware homeowners who have lived in their home for at least one year and who have urgent repair needs.

## **DELAWARE STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Delaware Coalition for Injury Prevention**

<https://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dph/ems/ipresources.html>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>



# FLORIDA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS STATE OF FLORIDA

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **Area Agency on Aging Fall Prevention and Home Modification Programs**

<http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/doea/arc.php>

Through the 11 Area Agencies on Aging in Florida, the SUA administers home modification programs via fall prevention programs with health and wellness coordinators.

2. **Community Care for the Elderly (CCE)**

<http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/doea/cce.php>

Program Description: This program provides community-based services to enable older adults with functional impairments to live dignified and independent lives in their own homes, or in the homes of relatives or caregivers, for as long as possible. Services can include minor emergency home repair.

Population Served: Individuals age 60 and older and functionally impaired, as determined by an initial comprehensive assessment and annual reassessments.

3. **Home Care for the Elderly (HCE) Program**

<http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/doea/hce.php>

Program Description: The HCE program supports care for Floridians age 60 and older in family-type living arrangements within private homes as an alternative to institutional or nursing home care. Subsidies are provided that may cover ramps and home accessibility modifications.

Population Served: Individuals age 60 and older who have an income less than the Institutional Care Program standard, are at risk of nursing home placement, and have an approved adult caregiver living with them who is willing and able to provide care or help arrange for care.

4. **Statewide Medicaid Managed Care Long-Term Care Program (SMMC LTC)**

<http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/doea/smmcltc.php>

Program Description: The Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) program delivers long-term care services from the Florida Medicaid Program through two programs: 1) the [Long-term Care Managed Care Program](#); and 2) the Managed Medical Assistance Program. The Department of Elder Affairs is responsible for these federal programs through an interagency agreement with the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration. Medicaid recipients who qualify and become enrolled in SMMC LTC receive long-term care services from a long-term care managed care plan. Participants may receive home accessibility adaptation services based on medical necessity or necessity to avoid institutionalization (e.g., installation of ramps and grab-bars, widening of doorways, modification of bathroom facilities, or installation of specialized electric and plumbing systems to accommodate the medical equipment and supplies which are necessary for the welfare of the enrollee).

Population Served: Florida residents age 65 and over eligible for Medicaid or age 18 and over who are eligible for Medicaid due to a disability.

## **FLORIDA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

**Florida's Assistive Technology Program, FFAST, Inc.**

<http://faast.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **FLORIDA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

**Florida Falls Prevention Coalition**

[http://www.elderaffairs.org/doea/health\\_falls.php](http://www.elderaffairs.org/doea/health_falls.php)

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# GEORGIA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF AGING SERVICES (State Unit on Aging)

<https://aging.georgia.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

#### **Home and Community-Based Services Program/In-Home Services**

<https://aging.georgia.gov/home-services>

Program Description: The Home and Community-Based Services Program is administered via the Area Agencies on Aging, and includes a range of solutions to help older Georgians live safely in their homes and communities. The focus is on increasing accessibility, reducing the risk of injury, and improving older adults' ability to stay at home. The In-Home Services component may include home modification and repairs and certain assistive devices that support the safety and well-being of adults in their homes.

Population Served: Individuals age 60 and older and their caregivers.

### **GEORGIA MEDICAID**

<https://medicaid.georgia.gov/programs/elderly>

#### **Independent Care Waiver Program (ICWP)**

<https://medicaid.georgia.gov/programs/all-programs/waiver-programs>

Program Description: The Independent Care Waiver Program provides supportive services for Medicaid-eligible adults with physical disabilities to live in their own homes or in the community instead of a hospital or nursing home. Services may include environmental accessibility adaptations.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals with severe physical disabilities who are between the ages of 21 and 64 and who meet functional criteria.

## **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS**

<https://www.dca.ga.gov/>

### **Home Access Program**

<https://www.dca.ga.gov/housing/homeless-special-needs-housing/home-access-program>

Program Description: The Home Access Program supports the ability of persons with disabilities to reside in the home with appropriate home modifications and helps prevent unnecessary entry into nursing homes. The program allows grant awards of up to \$10,000 to improve the accessibility of an owner-occupied home in which an individual with a disability resides. Eligible activities through the program include, but are not limited to: bathroom retrofitting (e.g., roll-in showers), construction of wheelchair ramps, lowering of cabinets and counters, widening of doorways, and installation of visual aids and audible alarms.

Population Served: Georgia residents with disabilities.

## **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

<https://dor.georgia.gov/>

### **Disabled Person Home Purchase or Retrofit Credit 201**

Program Description: The Georgia Disabled Person Home Purchase or Retrofit Credit provides a person with a disability with a credit equal to the lesser of \$500 per residence or the taxpayer's income tax liability for the purchase of a new single-family home that contains accessibility features from a qualified list (one no-step entrance, interior passage doors of at least a 32-inch wide opening, reinforcements in bathroom walls for grab bars, and light switches/outlets in accessible locations). It also provides a credit equal to the lesser of the cost or \$125 to retrofit an existing single-family home with one or more of these features.

Population Served: The person must be permanently disabled and have been issued a permanent parking permit or special permanent parking permit by the Department of Revenue. This credit can be carried forward 3 years.

## **GEORGIA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Tools for Life, Georgia's Assistive Technology Act Program**

<https://gatfl.gatech.edu/index.php>

This program is dedicated to increasing access to and acquisition of assistive technology devices and services for Georgians of all ages and disabilities so they can live, learn, work and play independently and with greater freedom in communities of their choice.

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **GEORGIA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Georgia Fall Prevention Coalition**

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<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# HAWAII

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING (State Unit on Aging)

<https://health.hawaii.gov/eoa/>

**State Units on Aging (SUAs)** are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including **Older Americans Act** funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local **Area Agencies on Aging** and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

#### **Area Agencies on Aging: Home Modification Services**

Area Agencies on Aging in Hawaii utilize Title III Older Americans Act funding of up to \$500 per older adult for simple home modifications and repairs. The State Unit on Aging allocates approximately \$35,000 for this effort.

### STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

<https://medquest.hawaii.gov/>

#### **Home and Community Based Services Waiver for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities** <https://health.hawaii.gov/ddd/participants-families/waiver/>

**Program Description:** This waiver provides services to support a full life in the community for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Through a person-centered planning process with case managers, service needs are identified and may include physical adaptations that are permanently installed in the participant's home (owned or rented by the participant or family with whom the participant resides) to enable the participant to function with greater independence in the home. The physical adaptation must be ordered by a physician or other health practitioner with prescriptive authority under Hawaii law. Covered home modification services include the installation of ramps and grab bars; widening of doorways; modification of bathroom facilities; and environmental control devices that replace the need for physical assistance and increase the participant's ability to live independently.

**Population Served:** Medicaid-eligible persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

## **HAWAII STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Assistive Technology Resource Centers of Hawaii (ATRC)**

<https://www.atrc.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **HAWAII STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Hawaii State Fall Prevention Consortium**

<http://hawaii.gov/health/healthy-lifestyles/injury-prevention/prevprojects/fallprev>

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<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# IDAHO

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### IDAHO COMMISSION ON AGING

(State Unit on Aging)

<https://aging.idaho.gov/>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities.

### IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE: MEDICAID

<https://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Medical/Medicaid/tabid/123/Default.aspx>

#### 1. Idaho Aged and Disabled Waiver

<https://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Portals/0/Medical/MedicaidCHIP/AandDWaiver.pdf>

Program Description: The Idaho Aged and Disabled Waiver provides supportive home and community-based services to maximize independence. Examples include adult day health, homemaker, residential habilitation, respite, supported employment, and environmental accessibility adaptations

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals age 65 years and older and individuals ages 18-64 with physical disabilities.

#### 2. Idaho Developmental Disabilities Waiver

<https://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Portals/0/Medical/DD%20Waiver.PDF>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver for adults with developmental disabilities provides home and community-based services to maximize independence. Examples include: residential habilitation, respite, supported employment, financial management services, support broker services, adult day health, behavior consultation/crisis management, chore services, and environmental accessibility adaptations.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals with autism or a developmental or intellectual disability who are 18 years and older.



## IDAHO STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### Idaho Assistive Technology Project

<https://idahoat.org/>

The Idaho Assistive Technology Project includes a Finance Program that provides low-interest loans to Idaho residents with disabilities to purchase assistive technology from \$500 - \$10,000 and may include building modifications for accessibility.

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

# ILLINOIS

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT ON AGING

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www2.illinois.gov/aging/Pages/default.aspx>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **Area Agencies on Aging**

Three of 13 Planning Service Areas within the state have home modification services available. The maximum per person for modifications is \$500.

2. **Illinois Family Caregiver Support Program**

<https://www2.illinois.gov/aging/CommunityServices/caregiver/Pages/default.aspx>

Program Description: The Family Caregiver Support Program helps link and provide services to support family caregivers, including home modifications.

Population Served: Caregivers (family members or friends) who provide day-to-day assistance to older adults.

### ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: MEDICAID WAIVERS

<https://www.dhs.state.il.us/OneNetLibrary/27896/documents/Reta/AdultDDRenaalApproved7117.pdf>

Program Description: These Medicaid Waivers provide a variety of services, including home accessibility modifications, to support individuals at-risk of institutionalization:

1. **Adults with Developmental Disabilities**

<https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/DD.aspx>

Population Served: Adults age 18 and older on Medicaid with a developmental disability not in need of 24-hour nursing care but eligible for an institutional level of care.

2. **Home and Community Based Services Waiver for Children that are Medically Fragile, Technology Dependent**

<https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/tmfc.aspx>

Population Served: Individuals under the age of 21 with a severe physical illness or disability that requires a hospital or skilled nursing level of care without the support of the services provided under the waiver.

**3. Home and Community Based Services Waiver for Persons with HIV or AIDS**

<https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/hiv.aspx>

Population Served: Persons of any age on Medicaid who are diagnosed with Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) or Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) and are at risk of placement in a nursing facility.

**4. Persons with a Brain Injury**

<https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/BI.aspx>

Population Served: Persons with brain injuries of any age on Medicaid who have functional limitations related to a brain injury.

**5. Persons with Disabilities**

<https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/disabilities.aspx>

Population Served: Individuals on Medicaid from the ages of 0-59 years with severe physical disabilities which are expected to last for 12 months or for the duration of life.

**6. Support Waiver for Children and Young Adult with Developmental Disabilities**

[https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/support\\_cyadd.aspx](https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/support_cyadd.aspx) -

Population Served: Children and young adults with developmental disabilities ages 3-21 who live at home with their families and are at risk of placement in an Intermediate Care Facility for persons with developmental disabilities.

## **ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

<http://www.ihda.org>

**1. The Accessible Housing Demonstration Grant Program**

<http://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/047/04700368sections.html>

Program Description: This grant program allows the Illinois Housing Development Authority to make up to \$5,000 grants to qualified builders to encourage the building of Single Family Residences that are accessible to people with disabilities. Standards include: 1) zero-step entrance; 2) 36-inch-wide entrance doors; 3) interior doors with at least 32 inches of clearance space; 4) accessible placement of outlets and light switches; and 5) bathrooms that facilitate the installation of grab bars.

Population Served: People with disabilities.

2. **The Home Accessibility Program (HAP)**

<https://www.ihda.org/my-home/fixing-a-house/>

Program Description: HAP provides funding to units of local government and non-profit organizations throughout Illinois to provide home accessibility grants to residents. These grants for older adults and people with disabilities are designed to help people stay in their homes and prevent premature or unnecessary institutionalization. Funds are not provided directly to homeowners.

Population Served: Older adults and people with disabilities.

3. **The Single-Family Rehabilitation (SFR) Program**

<https://www.ihda.org/my-home/fixing-a-house/>

Program Description: The Single-Family Rehabilitation Program provides funding to units of local government and non-profit organizations to help homeowners make necessary repairs. Funds are not directly provided to homeowners.

Population Served: Homeowners with homes in need of repairs.

## **ILLINOIS STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **The State of Illinois Assistive Technology Program**

<https://www.iltech.org/>

The Illinois Assistive Technology Program, a non-profit, offers a Home Modification Loan Program <https://iatpatloans.org/> of up to \$5,000 for modifications that allow qualifying Illinois residents with disabilities to live more independently. Home modifications can include ramps, roll-in showers, stair-lifts, and door openers.

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **ILLINOIS STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Illinois Fall Prevention Coalition**

[http://www.idph.state.il.us/HealthWellness/IP\\_StrategicPlan.pdf](http://www.idph.state.il.us/HealthWellness/IP_StrategicPlan.pdf)

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# INDIANA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION - DIVISION OF AGING (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.in.gov/fssa/2329.htm>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

#### **Community and Home Options to Institutional Care for the Elderly and Disabled (CHOICE) Program**

<https://www.in.gov/fssa/da/5492.htm>

Program Description: The CHOICE program is administered by the Indiana Division of Aging through the state's 16 Area Agencies on Aging. It provides home and community-based services, including environmental modification, to assist individuals in maintaining their independence in their own homes or communities for as long as is safely possible.

Population Served: Indianans age 60 or older or who have a disability and are at risk of losing their independence (e.g., difficulties with activities of daily living).

### INDIANA MEDICAID

<https://www.in.gov/medicaid/members/214.htm>

Program Description: Home and community based care services provided via Medicaid Waivers for individuals who would otherwise require a nursing facility level of care. Services include environmental modifications and sometimes environmental modification assessments.

#### 1. **IN Aged and Disabled Waiver**

<https://www.in.gov/medicaid/members/212.htm>

Population Served: Older adults, individuals who are blind or have a disability and reside in or are transitioning to a home and community-based care setting and with an income no higher than 300% of the Social Security Income level. Must also meet the nursing home level of care.

2. **IN Community Integration and Habilitation (CIH) and Community Based Services Waiver**

<https://www.in.gov/medicaid/members/206.htm>

Population Served: Individuals who had an intellectual disability diagnosed before age 22 and reside in or are transitioning to a home and community-based care setting and with an income no higher than 300% of the Social Security Income level. Must also meet the nursing home level of care.

3. **IN Traumatic Brain Injury Waiver**

<https://www.in.gov/medicaid/members/210.htm>

Population Served: Older adults or individuals living with a disability who have a traumatic brain injury. Income must be no higher than 300% of the Social Security Income level and meet the nursing home level of care.

## **INDIANA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY ACT PROGRAM**

<https://www.eastersealstech.com>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **INDIANA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

<https://www.infallprevention.org/>

The Coalition has hosted Fall Prevention Awareness Day and involved Area Agencies on Aging statewide for a half-day of service wherein volunteers were recruited to help modify the homes of older adults.

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# IOWA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### IOWA DEPARTMENT ON AGING

(State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.iowaaging.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **Iowa Return to Community Pilot**

<https://www.iowaaging.gov/sites/default/files/IRTC%20Progress%20Report%209.12.19.pdf>

Program Description: This state funded pilot in five counties involves voluntary participation by older adults who are being transferred from a hospital to a nursing home in their first 30 days of Medicare eligibility to facilitate discharge to their home. This discharge process may include home modifications as a part of a successful transition.

Population Served: Iowa residents age 60 or older, who are not Medicaid-eligible, and who indicate a preference to return to their community, and are deemed appropriate for discharge following a nursing facility or hospital stay.

2. **Veteran-Directed Home and Community Based Services (VD-HCBS)**

<https://www.iowaaging.gov/programs-services/supportive-services/veteran-directed-home-and-community-based-services>

Program Description: The Veteran-Directed Home and Community Based Services program, a partnership between the Iowa Department on Aging and the Veterans Health Administration, uses a self-directed care model wherein participants choose and manage the long-term services they need to live independently. They are provided a monthly budget to contract with the individuals and agencies of their choice (including family members, friends and neighbors) for goods and services, including home modifications.

Population Served: The VD-HCBS program helps veterans of any age who are enrolled in the Iowa City VA Medical Center and are potential candidates for nursing facility placement to receive care at home, in a caregiver's home or in an independent living community.

## IOWA MEDICAID ENTERPRISE: WAIVERS

<https://dhs.iowa.gov/ime/about/aboutime>

Description: These Home and Community-Based Service waivers provide physical modifications to the home to assist with health, safety, and welfare needs of the member to increase independence. Modifications include bathtub and shower modifications, changes to the kitchen, turnaround space adaptations, ramps, lifts and door modifications.

### 1. Brain Injury (BI) Waiver

<https://dhs.iowa.gov/sites/default/files/Comm510.pdf?012920202102>

Population Served: Iowa residents with a brain injury diagnosis who are eligible for Medicaid and need a level of care that includes intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities, a nursing facility, or a skilled nursing facility.

### 2. Elderly Waiver

<https://dhs.iowa.gov/sites/default/files/Comm513.pdf?061820190844>

Population Served: Iowa residents age 65 or older who are Medicaid-eligible and qualify for skilled nursing services. Maximum lifetime benefit of \$1,061 (as of 2019) for home and vehicle modifications.

### 3. Health and Disability (HD) Waiver

<https://dhs.iowa.gov/sites/default/files/Comm529.pdf?061820190842>

Population Served: Iowa residents age 18-64 who are blind or have a physical disability and must meet other Medicaid related eligibility requirements.

### 4. Intellectual Disabilities Waiver

<https://dhs.iowa.gov/sites/default/files/Comm511.pdf?012920202102>

Population Served: Iowa residents eligible for Medicaid that have a diagnosis of an intellectual disability as determined by a psychologist or psychiatrist.

### 5. Physical Disability (PD) Waiver

<https://dhs.iowa.gov/sites/default/files/Comm528.pdf?061820190845>

Population Served: Iowa residents under the age of 65 with a physical impairment as their disability and who meet other eligibility Medicaid related requirements.

## IOWA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### The Easter Seals Iowa Assistive Technology Program (ESI ATP)

<https://www.iowaat.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.



## **IOWA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Iowa Falls Prevention Coalition**

<http://idph.iowa.gov/falls-prevention>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# KANSAS

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### KANSAS DEPARTMENT FOR AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES (KDADS) (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.kdads.ks.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities.

The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services provides funding from Older Americans Act Title IIIB and IIIE and the Kansas Senior Care Act to administer statewide home modification or repair services via Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs). The AAAs have the option to provide home modification or repair services on a case by case basis to older adults and caregivers.

### KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

#### The Kansas Disabled Access Tax Credit

<https://www.ksrevenue.org/prtaxcredits-disabled.html>

Program Description: This tax credit provides a state tax credit for all income taxpayers in the state of Kansas to support making an existing home accessible for individuals with a disability. Expenditures incurred to remove an existing architectural barrier qualify for the Disabled Access Tax credit. Individuals are eligible for sliding-scale reimbursement for a certain percentage of their expenditure, depending on their income, up to a maximum of \$9,000, whichever is less. Individuals with tax liability below \$2,250 are allowed a refundable credit; those with tax liability of \$2,250 or more can carry forward the credit (if it exceeds their income tax liability) for up to four years.

Population Served: Taxpayers with an adjusted gross income of \$55,000 or less are eligible to receive the credit. No disability criteria required.

## **KANSAS MEDICAID: KANCARE**

<https://www.kancare.ks.gov/>

**KS Technology Assisted Waiver** [https://www.kdads.ks.gov/commissions/home-community-based-services-\(hcbs\)/programs/technology-assisted-program](https://www.kdads.ks.gov/commissions/home-community-based-services-(hcbs)/programs/technology-assisted-program)

Program Description: Provides medical respite care, personal care services, financial management services, health maintenance monitoring, home modification, intermittent intensive medical care, and specialized medical care.

Population Served: Medically fragile and technology dependent individuals age 0–21.

## **KANSAS STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Assistive Technology for Kansans**

<http://atk.ku.edu/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **KANSAS STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

[http://www.kdheks.gov/idp/older\\_adult\\_falls.htm](http://www.kdheks.gov/idp/older_adult_falls.htm)

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# KENTUCKY

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT FOR AGING AND INDEPENDENT LIVING (State Unit on Aging)

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dail/Pages/default.aspx>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **Hart-Supported Living Program**

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dail/Pages/hslp.aspx>

Program Description: The Hart-Supported Living program provides grants for supports that enable Kentuckians with disabilities to live in their homes and communities of choice and avoid institutionalization. Home modification is an eligible service.

Population Served: Any Kentuckian with a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act and KRS 210.770 may apply for funding.

2. **Homecare Program**

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dail/Documents/DAILTaxonomy.pdf>

Program Description: The Kentucky Homecare program includes the provision of minor home adaptations, additions, or modifications to enable older adults to live independently and/or safely or to facilitate mobility including, where appropriate, emergency summons systems.

3. **Older Americans Act Title IIIB: Home Repair Services**

Program Description: This program, administered by Area Agencies on Aging, provides minor home adaptations, additions, or modifications to enable older adults to live independently and/or safely or to facilitate mobility including, where appropriate, emergency summons systems.

Population Served: Kentucky residents who qualify for Older Americans Act Title IIIB.

4. **Older Americans Act Title III E: National Family Caregiver Support Program**

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dail/Documents/DAILTaxonomy.pdf>

Program Description: Home modification is an allowable Older Americans Act Title III E Supplemental Service expense to complement the care provided by caregivers. As a part of the program, home modification service is provided.

Population Served: Three categories of eligibility: 1) Child: An individual who is not more than 18 years of age or an individual age 19-59 who has a severe disability; 2) Caregiver: An adult family member or another individual who is an “informal” provider of in-home and community care to an older individual. “Informal” means that the care is not provided as part of a public or private formal service program; and 3) Grandparent/older relative caregiver of a child: A grandparent, step-grandparent or other relative of a child by blood or marriage who is age 55 or older and: 1) Lives with the child; 2) Is the primary caregiver of the child because the biological or adoptive parents are unable or unwilling to serve as the primary caregiver of the child; and 3) Has a legal relationship.

## **KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID SERVICES**

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/Pages/default.aspx>

1. **Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) Waiver**

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/dca/abib/Pages/default.aspx>

Program Description: The ABI waiver is for adults with an acquired brain injury who can benefit from intensive rehabilitation services. The service includes environmental and home modifications.

Population Served: Kentucky residents age 18 and older who have an acquired brain injury, meet the requirements for residence in a nursing facility, and meet the financial qualifications for Medicaid.

2. **Acquired Brain Injury Long Term Care (ABI LTC) Waiver**

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/dca/abib/Pages/default.aspx>

Program Description: The ABI LTC waiver is for adults with an acquired brain injury who have reached a plateau in their rehabilitation level. They require maintenance services to live safely in the community. The service includes environmental and home modifications.

Population Served: Kentucky residents age 18 and older who have an acquired brain injury, meet the requirements for residence in a nursing facility, and meet the financial qualifications for Medicaid.

3. **Home and Community Based (HCB) Waiver Program**

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/dca/hcbsb/Pages/hcb-waiver.aspx>

Program Description: The HCB waiver program provides Medicaid-paid services and supports to older adults or to adults and children with physical disabilities. Environmental and minor home adaptations are offered as part of the program.

Population Served: Kentucky residents who are older adults or who have a physical disability, meet the nursing facility level of care as defined in Kentucky Administrative Regulation 907 KAR 1:022 and would be admitted to a nursing facility without waiver services as well as the financial qualifications for Medicaid.

4. **KY Supports for Community Living**

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/dca/iddcsb/Pages/scl-waiver.aspx>

Program Description: This program provides assistance to individuals with an intellectual or developmental disability to help them live in the community in the setting of their choice as independently as possible. Services include environmental accessibility adaptation services.

Population Served: Kentucky residents of any age who qualify for Medicaid, have an intellectual or developmental disability, and meet requirements for residence in an intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability.

5. **Michelle P. Waiver (MPW)**

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/dca/iddcsb/Pages/mpw.aspx>

Program Description: The MPW provides Medicaid services and supports, including environmental and minor home adaptations, so that individuals may live in the community for as long as possible

Population Served: Recipients must have an intellectual or developmental disability, require a protected environment, and meet the financial qualifications for Medicaid.

## **KENTUCKY STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **KATS Network**

<https://www.katsnet.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **KENTUCKY STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Kentucky Safe Aging Coalition**

[www.safekentucky.org](http://www.safekentucky.org)

<http://www.nofalls.org>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# LOUISIANA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ELDERLY AFFAIRS STATE OF LOUISIANA (State Unit on Aging)

<http://goea.louisiana.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. The Louisiana SUA's specific home modification efforts include:

1. Working with Restore Louisiana which focuses on the recovery process after historic flooding in March and August 2016. Assistance is available for accessibility improvements for applicants with disabilities or their household members. Any accessibility features that were present in the home and destroyed or damaged by flood waters may be assessed for replacement.
2. Engaging in partnership development at the local level for home modifications (e.g., St. John Parish ramps provided through donations of lumber from community and donation of labor)

### LOUISIANA OFFICE OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES

#### 1. Children's Choice (CC) Waiver

<http://ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/page/218>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver provides supplemental support services, including environmental accessibility adaptations, in an annual package to children from 0-20 years of age with developmental disabilities who currently live at home with their families or with a foster family.

Population Served: Individuals who meet the Louisiana Medicaid eligibility, age 0-20, meet the Louisiana definition of disability before the age of 22, and meet the intermediate care facility-intellectual disability level of care criteria.

2. **Community Choices Waiver**

<http://ldh.la.gov/assets/docs/OAAS/publications/FactSheets/CCW-Fact-Sheet.pdf>

Program Description: This waiver program provides environmental accessibility adaptations (home modifications to aid in self-care) in the home and community to older adults or adults with disabilities who qualify.

Population Served: Participants must be 21 years and older, Medicaid eligible, and meet nursing facility level of care.

3. **New Opportunities Waiver**

<http://ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/page/283>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver program provides services, including environmental accessibility modifications, designed to assist people with living as independently as possible.

Population Served: Louisiana residents age 3 years and older who meet Medicaid eligibility, the Louisiana definition of developmental disability, and intermediate care facility-intellectual disability level of care criteria.

4. **Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Program**

<http://ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/page/1732/n/388>

Program Description: This program provides affordable rental housing with individualized services to people with severe and complex disabilities, enabling them to live successfully in the community. It includes making the unit where the tenant lives accessible.

Population Served: Low-income Louisiana residents with a significant, long-term disability who currently receive either Mental Health Rehabilitation Services, an eligible Medicaid waiver, Ryan White services, or Medicaid institutional services such as nursing home or intermediate care facility for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and is in need of housing supports offered by the PSH Program.

5. **Residential Options Waiver**

<http://ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/page/1875>

Program Description: This waiver program provides supports and services that assist people with transitioning from intermediate care facilities for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities to their own home in the community. Services may include environmental accessibility adaptations.

Population Served: Louisiana residents who are Medicaid-eligible, meet the definition for a developmental disability which manifested prior to age 22, and meet intermediate care facility-intellectual and developmental disabilities level of care criteria.



## LOUISIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

### **Louisiana Accessible and Barrier-Free Tax Credit**

[http://revenue.louisiana.gov/TaxForms/1089\(1\\_19\)F.pdf](http://revenue.louisiana.gov/TaxForms/1089(1_19)F.pdf)

Program Description: The Louisiana Accessible and Barrier-Free Tax Credit provides an income tax credit for the owner of a newly constructed one- or two-family dwelling or existing dwellings that contain accessible and barrier-free design.

Population Served: Taxpayer households that include an individual with a physical disability who requires, or will require, accessible and barrier-free design elements to live in the home. A homeowner can also claim the credit if they rent their dwelling to an individual who requires an accessible residence.

## LOUISIANA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION

### **Louisiana Fall Prevention Coalition**

Contact: [Lynn.Watson@LA.gov](mailto:Lynn.Watson@LA.gov)

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

## LOUISIANA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### **Louisiana Assistive Technology Access Program (LATAN)**

<https://www.latan.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

# MAINE

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### STATE OF MAINE AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oads/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Examples include:

#### 1. Homeward Bound

<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oads/trainings-resources/initiatives/homeward-bound.html>

Program Description: Homeward Bound is a Money Follows the Person demonstration program, funded by the Centers for Medicaid & Medicare Services (CMS) and implemented by the Maine SUA. Homeward Bound is designed to help older adults and adults with disabilities move from institutional to community settings. During this process, they work with a Transition Coordinator to develop a transitional care plan tailored to their needs. Services are arranged that include home modifications to make the new home environment more supportive.

Population Served: Individuals must be 18 or older at the time of transition and have resided in a nursing facility and/or hospital for at least 90 days, not including any short-term rehabilitative stay, have received Medicaid benefits for an inpatient hospital or nursing facility for at least one day, and need institutional or nursing facility level of care, but for the provision of home and community-based services.

#### 2. Maine Family Caregiver Support Program: Caregiver Respite Program

<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oads/community-support/caregiver-support/index.html>

Program Description: The Caregiver Respite Program supports family caregivers by reimbursing costs incurred by providing care for a person with dementia. This care might take place in the home, at an adult day program, or overnight in a facility (on a limited basis). Services are administered via Maine's Area Agencies on Aging, and home modifications that support independent living may be reimbursed up to \$2,000 over a program participant's lifetime.

Population Served: Caregivers of persons with dementia.

### 3. Medicaid Waivers

The Maine Aging and Disability Services Department oversees several Medicaid Waivers that include environmental modifications:

#### **Elderly and Adults with Physical Disabilities Waiver**

<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oads/home-support/elderly-physically-disabled/index.html>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver program provides supportive community services to older adults and adults with disabilities in order to avoid or delay nursing home placement. In-home services are funded through MaineCare Waiver programs or through state funds.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible older adults and persons with disabilities who meet functional eligibility for in-home services.

#### **Home and Community-Based Services for Adults with Brain Injury Waiver**

<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oads/home-support/brain-injury/index.html>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver is for individuals 18 years and older who have sustained an acquired brain injury due to an insult to the brain resulting directly or indirectly from trauma, infection, anoxia, or vascular lesions, and not of a degenerative or congenital nature. The waiver provides services such as environmental adaptations that support community living.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals 18 years of age and older with an acquired brain injury.

#### **Services for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder Waivers**

<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oads/home-support/disability-with-autism/index.html>

Program Description: Two home and community-based Medicaid Waiver programs provide services in a variety of settings including at home, in the community, and on the job.

Population Served: Adults with intellectual disabilities or autism spectrum disorders who want to live as independently as possible at home and in the community.

## MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (DECD)

### Home Repair Network Program

<https://www.maine.gov/decd/community-development/cdbg-program/grant-categories/home-repair-network>

Program Description: The Home Repair Network program provides funding statewide to address housing problems of low- and moderate-income persons. The program provides housing rehabilitation services administered on a regional basis throughout Maine via Community Development Block Grants. Services include the rehabilitation of occupied or vacant single-family or multi-family housing units, demolition, same-site replacement housing, provision of potable water and sewer, energy conservation, removal/mitigation of lead-based paint, asbestos, radon, or other hazardous material, removal of architectural barriers and the Critical Access Ramp Program (via Alpha One).

Population Served: Varies by region.

## MAINE STATE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

### AccessAble Home Tax Credit

<https://www.mainehousing.org/programs-services/HomelImprovement/accessablehome>

Program Description: This tax credit of up to \$9,000 may be used for modifications that make the home more accessible for people with a physical disability or a physical hardship who live or will live at the residence to qualify. Allowable expenses include changes to flooring to mitigate tripping hazards, installation of grab bars, installation of access ramps, and widening of doorways. Taxpayers must demonstrate that the work meets certain standards, including compliance with applicable building codes.

Population Served: The tax credit may be used by individuals who earn \$55,000 or less for expenses paid for modifications to their residence to make it accessible for a person with a physical disability or physical hardship who lives or will live at the residence.

## MAINE STATE HOUSING AUTHORITY

### 1. Community Aging in Place Grants

<https://www.mainehousing.org/programs-services/HomelImprovement/homeimprovementdetail/Community-Aging-in-Place-Grant>

Program Description: The Community Aging in Place Grant Program offers no-cost home safety checks, minor maintenance repairs, and accessibility modifications to eligible low-income elderly and disabled homeowners. It is modeled after Bath Housing's Comfortably Home program and based on the evidence-based CAPABLE Program from Johns Hopkins University. It is administered by eight Public Housing Authorities and two Community Action Agencies.

Population Served: Program recipients must be age 55 or older or have a disability, own their home or live in a home owned by a family member, and have an annual household income limit of 80% of area median income.

## 2. Home Accessibility and Repair Program

<https://www.mainehousing.org/programs-services/HomeImprovement/homeimprovementdetail/HomeRepair>

Program Description: The Maine State Housing Authority's Home Accessibility and Repair Program provides grants to low-income homeowners who cannot afford necessary home repairs, including improvements necessary to permit use by persons with disabilities or who are experiencing physical barriers living at the home.

Population Served: Homeowners must have lived in the home that will be renovated or repaired for at least one year prior to applying and have a household income at or below 80% of area median income.

## MAINE STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### Maine CITE Program

<https://mainecite.org/>

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## MAINE STATE FALLS PREVENTION COALITION

### Maine Falls Prevention Coalition

[www.knowfallsforme.org](http://www.knowfallsforme.org)

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# MARYLAND

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGING

(State Unit on Aging)

<https://aging.maryland.gov/pages/default.aspx>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

#### Community for Life

<https://aging.maryland.gov/Pages/community-for-life.aspx>

Program Description: Community For Life provides a package of services for homeowners and renters. It includes home maintenance/light home repair provided by a community "handyman" based on a list of vetted contractors, transportation, and community access navigation in a cost-effective and supportive manner. This fee-based, local nonprofit model involves three pillars of support including initial home assessment and handyman support, transportation, service navigation. There are currently six partners in the state carrying out the Community for Life Program.

Population Served: Maryland residents age 65 and older with no income or health requirements.

### MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

#### 1. Accessible Homes for Seniors

<https://dhcd.maryland.gov/Residents/Pages/ahsp/default.aspx>

Program Description: Accessible Homes for Seniors is administered by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development in partnership with the Maryland Department of Aging. It provides zero-interest loans to modify a home space for adults age 55 or older. Modifications may include grab bars and railing installation, widening of doorways and installation of ramps. The program provides zero percent interest. Loan payments are deferred for 30 years or until the sale or transfer of ownership of the home.

Population Served: Maryland residents with at least one resident age 55 or older, must own and occupy the home to be renovated as their principal residence, income requirements, and other eligibility related to the condition of the home.

2. **Independent Living Tax Credit**

<https://dhcd.maryland.gov/Pages/ILTC/default.aspx>

Program Description: This State of Maryland tax credit administered by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development is for residents who renovate a home to be more accessible. The tax credit may be up to 50% of the cost of the renovation up to \$5,000, either in one's own home, the home of a family member, or a rental property.

Population Served: Maryland taxpayers with documentation showing the payment for a home renovation that includes accessibility features.

3. **Maryland Housing Rehabilitation Program - Single Family**

<https://dhcd.maryland.gov/Residents/Pages/mhrp-sf/default.aspx>

Program Description: This program focuses on preserving and improving single family properties and one-to-four unit rental properties. It is designed to bring properties up to applicable building codes and standards, and may include accessibility modifications. Interest rates for loans range from 0% to 6% and are based on the applicant's ability to pay.

Population Served: Owner-occupants of single family homes and all residents of financed rental housing with household incomes that do not exceed 80 percent of the statewide or Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Statistical Area median income. Deferred loans are available to some borrowers who require health, safety or accessibility improvements.

## **MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: MEDICAID WAIVERS**

<https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/longtermcare/Pages/Community-First-Choice.aspx>

1. **Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder Medicaid Waiver**

<https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/waiverprograms/Documents/Autism%20Waiver%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver provides residential habilitation, respite, adult life planning, environmental accessibility adaptations, family consultation, intensive individual support service, and therapeutic integration for individuals with autism ages 1 – 21.

Population Served: Maryland children on Medicaid with autism, ages 2 through 21, who need an Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled level of care.

## 2. Community Pathways Medicaid Waiver

<https://dda.health.maryland.gov/pages/community%20pathways.aspx>

The Community Pathways Medicaid Waiver provides services in the community as an alternative to receiving services in an institutional setting. Supportive services include career exploration, respite care services, assistive technology and services, behavioral support services, community development services, community living-enhanced supports, and environmental assessments and modifications.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals with developmental disabilities of all ages.

## 3. Home and Community-Based Options Waiver for Older Adults and People with Disabilities

<https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/longtermcare/Resource%20Guide/03.%20Program%20Fact%20Sheets/Fact%20Sheet%20-%20CO%20Waiver%20March%202018.pdf>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver provides community services and supports to help older adults and people with disabilities live at home through assistance with activities of daily living such as bathing, dressing, and grooming. Environmental assessments and home adaptations are included.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible Maryland residents age 18 years or older who meet the level of care required to qualify for nursing facility services.

## MARYLAND STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### MDTAP Technology Assistance Program

<http://mdod.maryland.gov/mdtap/Pages/MDTAP-Home.aspx>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages. It has a **Home Modification Directory for Maryland (2016)**

<http://mdod.maryland.gov/mdtap/Documents/Home%20Modifications%20Directory%202016.pdf>

## MARYLAND STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION

### Maryland Falls Prevention Advisory Group

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/maryland-fall-prevention-coalition/>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>



# MASSACHUSETTS

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ELDER AFFAIRS

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.mass.gov/orgs/executive-office-of-elder-affairs>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities. Efforts by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs (EOEA) related to home modification or repairs include:

1. **Area Agency on Aging Support:** EOEA provides support for home modification/repairs via Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and the Older Americans Act Title III, the Family Caregiver Support Program and Home and Community Based Waivers. It engages in activities to raise awareness through engagement with the AAAs and Aging Disability Resource Consortia and leveraging other state agency home modification/repair programs through the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission.

2. **Home Care Program**

<https://www.mass.gov/in-home-services>

Program Description: This state funded in-home services program provides services to help eligible residents of Massachusetts age in place by supporting daily tasks. Services may include home safety, independence evaluations and adaptive housing.

Population Served: Massachusetts residents 60 years and older or under 60 with a diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease and in need of respite services. Residents must live at home or in the home of a caregiver.

## MASSACHUSETTS REHABILITATION COMMISSION

### Home Modification Loan Program

<https://www.mass.gov/home-modification-loan-program-hmlp>

**Program Description:** This program provides 0% interest, deferred payment loans to modify the primary permanent homes of older adults and children with disabilities so that they may live more independently. Six agencies in Massachusetts administer the program. A onetime loan of \$1,000 to \$50,000 may be borrowed by property owners; \$1,000 up to \$30,000 for mobile homeowners. The modifications to be made to the residence must be necessary to allow the beneficiary to remain in the home and must specifically relate to their ability to function on a daily basis.

**Population Served:** Any homeowner who has a disability or is an older adult, has a household member with a disability, or rents to an individual with a disability (in a building with fewer than 10 units).

## MASS HEALTH: MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAID AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM

1. **MA Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) Non-Residential Habilitation Medicaid Waiver** <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/acquired-brain-injury-abi-waivers#about-the-program->

**Program Description:** This Medicaid Waiver provides services and supports to help individuals with acquired brain injuries live in community settings instead of in institutional settings. Services include home accessibility adaptations.

**Population Served:** Recipients must have been in a skilled nursing facility or hospital for at least 90 days; acquired a brain injury at age 22 or older; need ABI waiver services; be able to be safely served in the community within the terms of the ABI waivers, and meet the financial requirements to qualify for MassHealth Standard in the community.

2. **MA Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Waiver** <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/home-and-community-based-waivers>

**Program Description:** Provides homemaker, individual support and community habilitation, residential habilitation, respite, supported employment, adult companion, day services, home accessibility adaptations, shared living - 24 hour supports, specialized medical equipment, transitional assistance, and transportation.

**Population Served:** Individuals with a traumatic brain injury age 18 and older.

### 3. **Moving Forward Plan (MFP) Community Living Waivers**

<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/moving-forward-plan-mfp-waivers#services-offered-to-mfp-waiver-participants>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver program helps Massachusetts residents who have been in a skilled nursing facility or a long-term care hospital for at least 90 days to move back into the community. Services are identified and coordinated by a case manager/service coordinator and may include home accessibility adaptations.

Population Served: Recipients must have been in a skilled nursing facility or hospital for at least 90 days; either be age 18 or older and have a disability, or age 65 or older; need MFP waiver services; be able to be safely served in the community within the terms of the MFP waivers; and meet the financial requirements to qualify for MassHealth Standard in the community.

### 4. **MA Frail Elder Waiver**

<https://www.mass.gov/frail-elder-waiver-few>

Program Description: This home and community-based services Medicaid Waiver program provides services to Massachusetts residents age 60 and older with needs ranging from basic to intensive levels so that they may live in the community. Environmental accessibility adaptations are included as a service support.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals with a physical disability age 60 years and older.

## **MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**

### 1. **MA Adult Supports Medicaid Waiver** <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/hcbs-waivers-for-adults-with-intellectual-disabilities-information-for-individuals>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver serves individuals who require at least one home and community-based waiver service per month and do not require the levels of support provided under either the Community Living Waiver or the Intensive Supports Waiver. Services are provided in family homes, adult foster care, or independently in community settings. Participants receive services through the waiver that are needed in order to remain safely in the community, including home modifications and adaptations.

Population Served: Individuals with intellectual disabilities age 22 and older.

### 2. **MA Community Living Medicaid Waiver** <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/home-and-community-based-waivers>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver provides services to individuals who meet the eligibility criteria and require at least one home and community-based waiver service per month. Recipients need more support than services provided in the Adult Supports Waiver, but less than those in the Intensive Supports Waiver. Services may be provided in the family home, adult foster care, with a

live-in caregiver, or independently in these community settings and can include home modifications and adaptations.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals with intellectual disabilities age 22 years and older.

3. **MA Intensive Supports Waiver** <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/hcbs-waivers-for-adults-with-intellectual-disabilities-information-for-individuals>

Program Description: The Medicaid Intensive Supports Waiver provides services to individuals who meet the eligibility criteria and require supervision and support 24 hours a day, seven days a week due to significant behavioral, medical and/or physical support needs. Services are provided through the waiver that are needed in order to remain safely in the community, including home modifications and adaptations.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals with intellectual disabilities age 22 and older.

## **MASSACHUSETTS STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **MassMATCH**

<https://www.massmatch.org/>

MassMATCH is the Commonwealth of Massachusetts's initiative to Maximize Assistive Technology (AT) in Consumers' Hands.

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **MASSACHUSETTS STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Massachusetts Falls Prevention Coalition**

<https://www.maseniorcare.org/massachusetts-falls-prevention-coalition>

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<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# MICHIGAN

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### MICHIGAN AGING AND ADULT SERVICES AGENCY: STATE UNIT ON AGING (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.michigan.gov/osa/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. The Michigan State Unit on Aging has established **home repair and home modification/home injury control** as approved services under Older Americans Act (OAA) Title III-B. In FY 2018, Michigan Area Agencies on Aging expended \$191,782 in OAA and local funds on home modification/home injury control and \$79,500 on home repair services. Home modification/home injury control programs served 1,245 individuals with 4,196 units of service.
2. The Michigan State Unit on Aging has a **Weatherization Program** run through the Area Agencies on Aging that offers home modifications.  
<https://www.benefits.gov/benefit/1861>

### MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: MEDICAID PROGRAM

[https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71547\\_4860---,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71547_4860---,00.html)

1. **Children's Waiver Program**  
[https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71550\\_2941\\_4868\\_80988-427535--,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71550_2941_4868_80988-427535--,00.html)

Program Description: The Children's Medicaid Waiver Program provides community-based services for children who are under age 18 who have a documented developmental disability and need medical or behavioral services at home. Supports include environmental accessibility adaptations.

Population Served: Individuals with autism, developmental disabilities, and intellectual disabilities age 0–17 years who are Medicaid-eligible and meet medical and behavior criteria.

## 2. **Habilitation Supports Waiver**

<https://www.ceicmh.org/habilitation-supports-waiver>

Program Description: This home and community-based, active treatment and support program assists individuals with severe developmental disabilities to live independently with support in their community of choice as a community based alternative to living in a group home. It can include environmental modifications individuals.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible persons of all ages with developmental disabilities as defined by federal law who, without the availability of home and community based services, would require the level of care provided in an intermediate care facility.

## 3. **Health Link Home and Community-Based Services**

[https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71551\\_2945\\_64077---,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71551_2945_64077---,00.html)

Program Description: The Health Link Medicaid Waiver provides home and community-based services for individuals who are age 65 and older and for individuals with physical disabilities ages 18 through 64 years old. The waiver provides services to these individuals who, absent the waiver, would require a nursing facility level of care. Services include but are not limited to: respite, adaptive medical equipment and supplies, assistive technology, chore, and environmental modifications.

Population Served: Individuals age 65 and older, and individuals with physical disabilities age 21-64.

## 4. **MI Choice Waiver Program**

[https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71547\\_2943\\_4857-16263--00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71547_2943_4857-16263--00.html)

Program Description: The Michigan Choice Medicaid Waiver program provides services and support coordination in the home, including environmental accessibility adaptations. It is administered via Area Agencies on Aging and other home and community-based care agencies across the state of Michigan.

Population Served: Individuals must meet the Medicaid State Agency's definition of nursing facility level of care and be age 65 and older or age 18-64 with a physical disability.

# **MICHIGAN REHABILITATION SERVICES**

## **Assistive Technology Loan Program**

<http://www.michiganloanfunds.org/>

Program Description: The maximum \$30,000 loan covers any item, piece of equipment, or device that will improve independence and quality of life. Examples include: wheelchairs, scooters, hearing aids, vision aids, vehicle modifications, and home modifications (e.g., ramps, widened doorways, and roll-in showers).

Population Served: Michigan residents who have a disability, older adults who need assistive technology, or a family member or guardian may apply on behalf of the person with the disability.

## **MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

### **Property Improvement Program (PIP) Loans for Homeowners**

[https://www.michigan.gov/mshda/0,4641,7-141-45866\\_47906\\_49317-187374--,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/mshda/0,4641,7-141-45866_47906_49317-187374--,00.html)

Program Description: Low-interest loans with terms of up to 20 years designed to support home improvements that substantially protect or improve the basic livability of a single-family or manufactured home. A maximum \$25,000 loan may cover major systems repairs, replacement and energy efficiency updates and include kitchen and bathroom remodeling.

Population Served: Michigan homeowners with equity in their home, an annual household income of up to \$125,300, and a credit score of at least 620. The home must be the borrower's primary residence.

## **MICHIGAN STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Michigan Assistive Technology Program (MATP)**

<https://www.mymdrc.org/assistive-tech>

Program Description: This program provides low cost, fixed-rate loans of up to \$30,000 to qualified applicants to finance the purchase of assistive technology devices and/or services, including modification of vehicles and homes, wheelchairs, computers, and hearing aids. This is a joint effort of the United Cerebral Palsy of Michigan, Disability Network agencies throughout the state, Michigan State University Federal Credit Union (MSUFCU) in East Lansing and, for the twelve counties of northeast Michigan, Region 9 Area Agency on Aging.

Population Served: The Program is available to any resident of the state of Michigan who has a disability, or an older adult who needs assistive technology.

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **MICHIGAN STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Michigan Fall Prevention Partnership**

[https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71548\\_54879---,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71548_54879---,00.html)

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# MINNESOTA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### MINNESOTA BOARD ON AGING

(State Unit on Aging)

<http://www.mnaging.org/>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities.

Minnesota has a variety of programs and funding streams dedicated to home modifications and home repairs for older Minnesotans. Through these programs, the state strives to reach older adults on Minnesota's means-tested programs as well as older adults not eligible for those programs. Under The Minnesota Board on Aging, funds are administered to the state's Area Agencies on Aging to provide home modifications for older people. Minnesota's 2019 State Plan on Aging, developed by the Minnesota Board on Aging, embeds home modification strategies as key to assisting older low income homeowners to age in the community through affordable home maintenance, modifications and in-home services.

The Minnesota Board on Aging is advocating for the implementation of a state-level multi-agency task force assigned to focus solely on the needs and opportunities related to older adult housing. It is also launching a public-private partnership to complete all home modifications and home maintenance repairs needed by the 16,400 very low-income older homeowners at risk of needing to move.

The Board also works with the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency's (MHFA) Rehabilitation Loan Program to fund home modifications and maintenance for very low-income older homeowners. Additionally, the Minnesota Department of Human Services, Aging and Adult Services Division has a grant program called Live Well at Home Grant (LWAH), wherein grant money is provided to grantees to build the Long Term Services and Support System throughout the state. Through LWAH, money is awarded to grantees that execute home modifications for homes that lack the necessary structural features and support systems to make aging in place viable. Between the years of 2017-19, LWAH funded several grantees with a focus on home modifications, including the Community Aging in Place—Advancing Better Living for Elders (CAPABLE) intervention to help older people age in the community.



## MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

### 1. Environmental Accessibility Adaptations: Medicaid Waivers

[https://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET\\_DYNAMIC\\_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=id\\_002196](https://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET_DYNAMIC_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=id_002196)

Program Description: Environmental accessibility adaptations of up to \$20,000/year to ensure the person's health and safety or enable the person to function with greater independence are allowable under the following Minnesota waivers:

[https://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET\\_DYNAMIC\\_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=ID\\_000852](https://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET_DYNAMIC_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=ID_000852):

- 1) Alternative Care (AC) (older Minnesotans who require the level of care provided in a nursing facility and who are not yet eligible for Medical Assistance)
- 2) Brain Injury (BI) Waiver (for people with a traumatic, acquired or degenerative brain injury)
- 3) Community Alternative Care (CAC) Waiver (for people who are chronically ill or medically fragile and require the level of care provided in a hospital)
- 4) Community Access for Disability Inclusion (CADI) Waiver (for people with disabilities who require the level of care provided in a nursing facility)
- 5) Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver (for people with developmental disabilities or related conditions who require the level of care provided in an intermediate care facility for persons with developmental disabilities (ICF/DD))
- 6) Elderly Waiver (EW) (for older Minnesotans who require the level of care provided in a nursing facility)

### 2. Live Well at Home (LWAH) Grant Program

<http://www.mnlivewellathome.org/>

Program Description: The Live Well at Home grant program, administered through community organizations, expands the capacity of long-term services and supports to help people age 65 and older stay in their homes and communities of choice. Grant opportunities include environmental accessibility home modifications such as grab bar installation, bathroom adaptations and building ramps and home repairs.

Population Served: Varies by location.

## MINNESOTA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

### 1. Fix Up Loan Program

<http://www.mnhousing.gov/sites/homeowners/fixup>

Program Description: These home improvement loans with fixed and lower interest rates may be used for energy conservation and accessibility improvements. A contractor may be hired or the work may be done by the homeowner.

Population Served: Diverse projects and income levels are eligible. Applicants must occupy and own the single family home, duplex, triplex or fourplex.

## 2. Rehabilitation Loan Program/Emergency and Accessibility Loan Program

<http://www.mnhousing.gov/sites/homeowners/rehab>

Program Description: The Rehabilitation Loan program assists low-income homeowners with financing basic home improvements that directly affect the safety, habitability, energy efficiency or accessibility of their homes. The Emergency and Accessibility Loan Program addresses emergency conditions of the home or accessibility needs for a disabled household resident. Maximum loan amount for both: \$27,000.

Population Served: Participants must meet program income limits, own and occupy the property, be current on property taxes and mortgages, and have homeowners insurance.

## MINNESOTA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### A System of Technology to Achieve Results (STAR)

<https://mn.gov/admin/star/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## MINNESOTA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION

### Minnesota Falls Prevention Initiative

<http://www.mnfallsprevention.org/>

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<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# MISSISSIPPI

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: DIVISION OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.mdhs.ms.gov/adults-seniors/services-for-seniors/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities.

The Mississippi Division of Aging and Adult Services partners with the Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program to weatherize hundreds of homes annually, which increases the energy efficiency to lower energy costs. It also conducts health and safety measures in homes, and makes referrals to other organizations if a family needs additional services not covered by the Weatherization Program.

### MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: FALL PREVENTION PROGRAM

[https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/\\_static/43,0,98,828.html](https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/43,0,98,828.html)

Program Description: The Mississippi State Department of Health provides the evidence-based falls management program, A Matter of Balance, across the state at no cost to participants. This 8-week group training equips older adults with ways to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels. Participants set goals to increase activity, engage in exercise to increase strength and balance, and learn how to change their environment through home modifications to reduce fall risk factors.

Population Served: Ambulatory older adults age 60 years and older who have fallen in the past and seek to reduce fall risks.

## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: COMMUNITY SERVICES

### The Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program

<https://www.mdhs.ms.gov/community-services/>

Program Description: This program is designed to increase the energy efficiency, health and safety of the homes of older adults and people with disabilities. Services include installing insulation, weather stripping, caulking, and furnace repair/replacement. Services are performed by local community action agencies which can also provide additional services according to the programs they administer.

Population Served: Mississippi residents age 18 or older who meet income eligibility requirements.

## MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF MEDICAID: MEDICAID WAIVERS

### 1. Elderly and Disabled Waiver

<https://medicaid.ms.gov/programs/elderly-and-disabled-waiver/>

Program Description: This waiver program is administered by the Office of Long Term Care to provide home and community-based services via a case management team to individuals ages 21 years and older. Home accessibility adaptations may be included as a Community Transition Service that is non-recurring as a set-up expense for transitioning from a nursing facility to a community setting.

Population Served: Beneficiaries must qualify for Medicaid as Supplemental Security Income (SSI) beneficiaries or meet the income and resource eligibility requirements for income level up to 300% of the SSI federal benefit rate and meet medical criteria of the program.

### 2. Independent Living Waiver

<https://medicaid.ms.gov/programs/independent-living-waiver/>

Program Description: The Independent Living Waiver, a home and community-based waiver, is limited to individuals age 16 years old or older, who have severe orthopedic and/or neurological impairments. The waiver includes environmental accessibility adaptations as a possible service to beneficiaries.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals 16 years or older who have severe orthopedic and/or neurological impairments. See website for other criteria.

### 3. Traumatic Brain Injury/ Spinal Cord Injury (TBI/SCI) Waiver

<https://medicaid.ms.gov/programs/traumatic-brain-injury-spinal-cord-injury-tbisci-waiver/>

Program Description: The TBI/SCI Waiver, a home and community-based waiver, is limited to individuals who are Medicaid-eligible and have a traumatic brain injury or spinal cord injury and are medically stable. The waiver includes environmental accessibility adaptations service to beneficiaries.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals who have experienced a traumatic brain or spinal cord injury.

## **MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

**Mississippi Project START (Success Through Assistive Rehabilitative Technology)** is the federally funded Assistive Technology Act Program for the State of Mississippi and operates under the Department of Health and Human Services' Administration of Community Living.

<http://www.msprojectstart.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

# MISSOURI

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES: SENIOR AND DISABILITY SERVICES

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://health.mo.gov/seniors/>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

#### 1. Home and Community-Based Services

<https://health.mo.gov/seniors/hcbs/info.php>

**Program Description:** Home and community-based services are provided to adults age 18 and older who are Medicaid eligible and in need of assistance in the home. Services are provided through the Department of Health and Senior Services and may include home modifications.

**Population Served:** For Medicaid-eligible individuals age 18 and older who need assistance in the home.

#### 2. Independent Living Medicaid Waiver

<https://dss.mo.gov/mhd/waivers/1915c-home-and-community-waivers/independent-living.htm>

**Program Description:** The Independent Living Medicaid Waiver provides personal assistance services beyond the limitations of the Consumer-Directed State Plan Personal Care program. Services may include environmental accessibility adaptations. The Department of Health and Senior Services, Division of Senior and Disability Services administers this waiver program through an inter-agency agreement with the Missouri HealthNet Division.

**Population Served:** Environmental accessibility adaptation services are available to Medicaid eligible individuals age 60 or older and to adults with disabilities between the ages of 18 and 59 who also qualify for the Missouri Consumer-Directed Personal Care program.

## MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

### Residential Dwelling Accessibility Tax Credit

<https://dor.mo.gov/taxcredit/dat.php>

Program Description: This Missouri state tax credit may be used to make the principal residential dwelling of a taxpayer with disabilities accessible. A refundable tax credit of up to \$2,500 may be claimed in the same taxable year as costs were incurred.

Population Served: The person with a disability must be a permanent resident of the dwelling.

## MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

### Money Follows the Person Missouri

<https://dss.mo.gov/mhd/general/pages/mfp.htm>

Program Description: Missouri was awarded a Money Follows the Person Demonstration grant in 2007 from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. This grant program is designed to support people who have disabilities and older adults who are moving from a nursing facility or habilitation center to a community setting that meets their needs and wants. Participants that transition to the community from skilled nursing facilities can have home modifications and some repair services paid for using demonstration services funds, not to exceed \$2,400.

Population Served: Eligible individuals in Missouri include those who have lived in a state habilitation center or nursing facility for at least 90 days, received MO HealthNet benefits in the facility, and transitioned to a home that is leased or owned by the participant or participant's family, or are moving to residential housing with no more than four individuals living in the house.

## MISSOURI STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### Missouri Assistive Technology (MoAT)

<https://at.mo.gov/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## MISSOURI STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION

### Show Me Falls Free Missouri

<https://www.preventmofalls.org/>

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<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# MONTANA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES/SENIOR AND LONG TERM CARE

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://dphhs.mt.gov/sltc/aging>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **Money Follows the Person (MFP) Transition Services**

<https://dphhs.mt.gov/sltc/mfp#147831260-what-is-mfp>

Program Description: For individuals who are transitioning from an institutional setting to qualified housing in a private residence or residential setting and meet the Money Follows the Person requirements, the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services covers transition service costs of up to \$4,000 of goods and services, including home accessibility adaptations.

Population Served: Eligible for Money Follows the Person:

<https://dphhs.mt.gov/sltc/mfp#147831262-how-can-i-qualify->

2. **Montana Big Sky Waiver Program: Elderly and Physically Disabled**

<https://dphhs.mt.gov/SLTC/csb#147868309-montana-big-sky-waiver-program>

Program Description: A case management team examines an individual's medical and psychosocial needs and develops a plan of care that may include environmental accessibility adaptations.

Population Served: Individuals age 65 and older and individuals with physical and other disabilities ages 0 to 64 who are financially eligible for Medicaid and meet the minimum level of care requirements for nursing facility placement.



## **MONTANA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

**MonTECH, Montana's Assistive Technology Program through the University of Montana**

<http://montech.ruralinstitute.umt.edu/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **MONTANA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

**Montana Fall Prevention Coalition**

<http://ruralinstitute.umt.edu>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# NEBRASKA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES/STATE UNIT ON AGING

(State Unit on Aging)

<http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Aging.aspx>

**State Units on Aging (SUAs)** are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including **Older Americans Act** funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local **Area Agencies on Aging** and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **Aged and Disabled Waiver**

<http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Medicaid-Aged-and-Disabled-Waiver.aspx>

Program Description: The Home and Community-Based Services Department administers this Medicaid Waiver program that may provide assisted technology supports and home modifications services that are physical adaptations to the primary residence of the participant or participant's family.

Population Served: Participants have to be an older person or a person with a disability and eligible for Nebraska Medicaid, assessed by Nebraska Assistive Technology Partnership, or eligible for a Home and Community-Based Waiver. Home repairs are not covered.

2. **Comprehensive Developmental Disabilities Services**

<http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/DD-Regulations-and-Waivers.aspx>

Program Description: This waiver provides service to persons of all ages with developmental disabilities so that they may maximize their independence as they live, work, socialize, and participate to the fullest extent possible in their communities. Services may include home modifications.

Population Served: A participant must have a developmental disability and needs that require services like those provided by an intermediate care facility for persons with developmental disabilities (ICF/DD).

3. **Disabled Persons and Family Support (DPFS) Program**

<http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Disabled-Persons-and-Family-Support.aspx>

Program Description: The Disabled Persons and Family Support Program provides state-funded assistance to help people with disabilities remain employed, stay independent and live at home. Eligible individuals may receive

funding for specific services, up to \$300 a month or \$3,600 annually, which may include home modification or repair services related to safety and independence. Population Served: Persons of all ages who meet certain tests, including income and disability tests.

4. **Older Americans Act: Title IIIB Services Funds**

Program Description: The Nebraska SUA provides guidance to Area Agencies on Aging for the use of Older Americans Act Title IIIB Services funds under Materials Distributions for necessary and permitted home modifications. If the home modification exceeds \$500, permission must be obtained from the SUA Director; the maximum amount for home modifications is \$1,000.

Population Served: Target populations as designated by the Older Americans Act.

## **NEBRASKA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Nebraska Assistive Technology Partnership (ATP)**

<http://www.atp.nebraska.gov/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **NEBRASKA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Nebraska Older Adult Falls Coalition**

[fallsfree@neb.rr.com](mailto:fallsfree@neb.rr.com)

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# NEVADA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES/ AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES DIVISION

(State Unit on Aging)

<http://adsd.nv.gov/>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **Assistive Technology for Independent Living (AT/IL) Program**

<http://adsd.nv.gov/Programs/Physical/ATforIL/ATforIL/>

Program Description: The statewide program supports an individual's choice to live in their community. Case coordination is provided through non-profit community partners C\*A\*R\*E\* Chest of Sierra Nevada and Easter Seals. The program provides assistance with home modifications so that the individual can care for themselves or be cared for in their homes and community rather than in a care facility.

Population Served: Nevada residents are eligible if they have a disability that causes a substantial functional limitation and if they lack other resources.

2. **Home and Community-Based Waiver Program**

[http://adsd.nv.gov/Programs/Seniors/HCBW/HCBW\\_Prog/](http://adsd.nv.gov/Programs/Seniors/HCBW/HCBW_Prog/)

Program Description: This waiver provides non-medical services to older persons to help them maintain independence in their own homes as an alternative to nursing home placement. Services may include environmental accessibility adaptations. Population Served: Nevada residents age 65 and older and individuals with physical disabilities ages 0-64.

3. **Nevada Assistive Technology (AT) Council**

<http://adsd.nv.gov/Boards/ATCouncil/ATCouncil/>

Program Description: The AT Council's mission is to provide consumer-responsive, consumer-driven advice for the planning, implementation, and evaluation of assistive technology programs which includes home modification or repair efforts.

Population Served: Nevada residents.

## NEVADA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### **Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative (NATC)**

[http://adsd.nv.gov/Programs/Physical/ATforIL/Nevada\\_Assistive\\_Technology\\_Collaborative\\_\(NATC\)/Nevada\\_Assistive\\_Technology\\_Collaborative\\_\(NATC\)/](http://adsd.nv.gov/Programs/Physical/ATforIL/Nevada_Assistive_Technology_Collaborative_(NATC)/Nevada_Assistive_Technology_Collaborative_(NATC)/)

The Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative and Aging and Disability Services Division provide a variety of assistive technology (AT) services to support people to live more independently within their communities

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## NEVADA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION

### **Nevada Fall Prevention Initiatives**

<http://r55831.wix.com/steppingonnv#!>

<https://www.facebook.com/NVGoesFallsFreeCoalition>

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<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# NEW HAMPSHIRE

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: BUREAU OF ELDERLY AND ADULT SERVICES (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/beas/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **The Choices for Independence (CFI) Waiver**

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/beas/homecare.htm>

Program Description: This waiver provides a range of service choices that help older adults and adults with chronic illnesses to continue living independently in their own homes, including home modifications and repairs. It is administered by the Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services (BEAS) as an integrated delivery effort between BEAS, provider agencies, and Case Managers.

Population Served: New Hampshire older adults and adults with chronic illnesses who are financially eligible for Medicaid and medically qualify for the level of care provided in nursing facilities.

2. **The New Hampshire Family Caregiver Support Program**

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/beas/familycaregivers.htm>

Program Description: Through the National Family Caregiver Program, the Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services and the New Hampshire Service Link, resource centers provide services to support the caregiving experience, including home modification.

Population Served: These services are available to caregivers over age 18 caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's Disease or other related dementia, adults over age 60, parents of adult children with disabilities, as well as grandparents and other relatives over age 55 who are raising their minor relatives.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE BUREAU OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES (NH BDS): MEDICAID WAIVERS

### 1. **Acquired Brain Disorder (ABD) Services Waiver**

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/bds/abd.htm>

Program Description: This waiver offers individuals with brain disorders and traumatic brain injuries acquired after age 22 and before age 60 supports and services within their own communities through 10 designated [area agencies](#) located throughout the state. Services include Family Support Services such as environmental modifications to assist families in caring for a family member at home.

Population Served: Residents of New Hampshire who have an acquired brain disorder and meet the skilled nursing facility or long term rehabilitation level of care need, and are eligible for Medicaid.

### 2. **Developmental Disabilities Waiver**

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/bds/hcbs-waiver.htm>

Program Description: This home and community-based services waiver provides services to individuals who, without the provision of such services, would require care in an intermediate care facility. Services may include environmental modifications.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals with autism and intellectual disabilities of any age.

### 3. **In Home Supports for Children with Developmental Disabilities**

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/bds/hcbs-waiver.htm>

Program Description: This home and community-based services waiver provides services to children who, without the provision of such services, would require care in an intermediate care facility. Services may include environmental modifications.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals with autism, intellectual and developmental disabilities, ages 0-21 years.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

### **Exemption for Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA-72:37-a**

<http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/V/72/72-37-a.htm>

Program Description: This property tax exemption allows for yearly improvements for the purpose of assisting a person with a disability. The exemption is made from the assessed value, for property tax purposes, by deducting the value of such improvements from the assessed value of the residential real estate before determining the taxes upon the home.

Population Served: New Hampshire residents with a disability that permanently requires the use of special aids.

## **NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Assistive Technology in New Hampshire, through the University of New Hampshire**

<https://iod.unh.edu/assistive-technology>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **New Hampshire Falls Risk Reduction Task Force**

<http://www.nhfallstaskforce.org/wordpress/index.php>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>



# NEW JERSEY

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF AGING SERVICES

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/doas/home/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

#### **Jersey Assistance for Community Caregiving**

<https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/doas/services/jacc/>

Program Description: This state-funded program provides in-home services to enable individuals who are at risk of placement in a nursing facility to remain in his or her community home. A plan of care is developed that may include environmental accessibility adaptations as a service.

Population Served: New Jersey residents age 60 and older who reside in a home that they rent or own, are nursing home eligible, and have no other alternate means available.

### NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES/DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES

#### **Medicaid Managed Long Term Services and Supports (MLTSS)**

<https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/home/mltss.html>

Program Description: MLTSS provides comprehensive services and supports to residents living at home, in an assisted living facility, in community residential services, or in a nursing home. It is administered through New Jersey Medicaid's NJ FamilyCare managed care program which coordinates all services, including home modifications when applicable.

Population Served: Individuals age 21 and older can qualify by meeting established Medicaid requirements outlined on the MLTSS website.

## **NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES/DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

### **Community Care (CCP) Waiver**

<https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/services/ccw/#1>

Program Description: Following a needs assessment, this Medicaid home and community-based services waiver program provides services that help individuals who live in a provider-managed setting, such as a group home or supervised apartment, to live as independently as possible. Services may include environmental modifications.

Population Served: Eligible individuals must meet the functional criteria of the Division of Developmental Disabilities, be reached on the CCP waiting list or at risk of homelessness, and meet specific Medicaid requirements.

## **NEW JERSEY STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Richard West Assistive Technology Advocacy Center (ATAC) of Disability Rights New Jersey (DRNJ)**

<http://www.drnj.org/atac/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **NEW JERSEY STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **New Jersey Fall Prevention Workgroup**

<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/doas/services/fallprev/index.html>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# NEW MEXICO

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### NEW MEXICO AGING AND LONG-TERM SERVICES DEPARTMENT (ALTSD) (State Unit on Aging)

<http://www.nmaging.state.nm.us/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Efforts of the New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department (ALTSD) that involve home modification or repairs include:

1. ALTSD has an agreement with the State Medicaid Agency to ensure that consumers transitioning from long-term care receive necessary home modifications.
2. ALTSD partners with the Veterans Administration through the Veteran's Directed Care Program to ensure eligible Veterans receive home modifications.
3. ALTSD partners with the Governor's Commission on Disability's Residential Accessibility Modification Program (RAMP) to provide referrals for funding for home modifications.

### NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

1. **Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver**  
<https://nmhealth.org/about/ddsd/pgsv/ddw/>  
Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver serves individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities so they may live as active members in the community. The maximum allowed funding for environmental modification is limited to \$5,000 every five years.  
Population Served: Individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities that occur before the age of 22.
2. **Medically Fragile Waiver (MFW)**  
<https://nmhealth.org/about/ddsd/pgsv/mfw/>  
Program Description: MFW is New Mexico's 1915(c) home and community-based services program serving individuals diagnosed with a medically fragile condition prior to the age of 22 and a developmental disability or who are developmentally delayed or at risk for developmental delay and meet an

intermediate care facility for the intellectually and developmentally disabled level of care. Environmental modifications may be provided as a service.

Population Served: New Mexico residents who have a medically fragile condition and a developmental disability before age 22 and meet income guidelines.

### 3. **Mi Via Self-Directed Waiver**

<https://nmhealth.org/about/ddsd/pgsv/sdw/>

Program Description: This consumer directed waiver is targeted to medically fragile individuals and individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities as a community-based alternative to institutional care. Environmental modifications may be provided as a service.

Population Served: Medically fragile New Mexico residents with intellectual or developmental disabilities who meet income and eligibility requirements.

## **NEW MEXICO GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON DISABILITY**

### **Residential Accessibility Modification Program (RAMP)**

[http://gcd.state.nm.us/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/RAMP\\_Application\\_05-01-19.pdf](http://gcd.state.nm.us/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/RAMP_Application_05-01-19.pdf)

Program Description: RAMP is a state-funded program for individuals with physical disabilities who need improvements to their homes that will improve their quality of life. RAMP services target safety or functional concerns that address the recipient's specific functional strengths and needs.

Population Served: Residents of New Mexico with a documented physical disability and who meet income eligibility requirements.

## **NEW MEXICO HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

### **Community Assistance and Community Services Block Grant**

[https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForAssistance/Community\\_Assistance\\_and\\_Community\\_Services\\_Block\\_Grant.aspx](https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForAssistance/Community_Assistance_and_Community_Services_Block_Grant.aspx)

Program Description: The purpose of this service is to provide emergency assistance through six Community Action Agencies located throughout the state using money from the Community Service Block Grant (CSBG). Services may include weatherization, home repair and rehabilitation.

Population Served: Low-income New Mexico residents.

## **NEW MEXICO STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **New Mexico Technology Assistance Program (NMTAP)**

<http://www.tap.gcd.state.nm.us/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **NEW MEXICO STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **New Mexico Adult Falls Prevention Coalition**

<https://healthinsight.org/nm-fall-prevention>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# NEW YORK

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### STATE UNIT ON AGING: NEW YORK STATE OFFICE FOR THE AGING (State Unit on Aging)

<https://aging.ny.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Minor home repair and home modifications are part of allowable services offered by the 59 Area Agencies on Aging in New York State.

### NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

#### 1. Care at Home (CAH) I/II Medicaid Waiver

[https://www.health.ny.gov/publications/0548/care\\_at\\_home\\_dev\\_disabled.htm](https://www.health.ny.gov/publications/0548/care_at_home_dev_disabled.htm)

Program Description: This waiver program allows Medicaid to pay for some services not provided through "regular" Medicaid, including home adaptations. It provides medical assistance to families with children living at home who have severe disabilities or medical conditions.

Population Served: Participants need to: be under the age of 18, unmarried, and determined to be physically disabled; require the level of care provided in a skilled nursing facility or hospital; be capable of being cared for in the community; and be a recipient of Medicaid.

#### 2. Long Term Home Health Care Program (LTHHCP) Medicaid Waiver

[https://www.health.ny.gov/publications/0548/hcbs\\_long\\_term\\_home\\_health\\_care.htm](https://www.health.ny.gov/publications/0548/hcbs_long_term_home_health_care.htm)

Program Description: LTHHCP is a 1915(c) home and community-based services Medicaid waiver. Modifications covered include internal and external physical adaptations to the home that are necessary to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the waiver participant. There is a limit of up to \$15,000 per twelve month period.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible New York residents of any age who are medically eligible for a nursing home level of care with an assessment.

3. **Olmstead Housing Subsidy - Community Transition Services (CTS)**

<https://www.rcil.com/olmstead-housing-subsidy-brochure>

Program Description: This program, funded by the New York State Department of Health and administered by the New York Administration on Independent Living, is designed to help people live independently in the community.

Community Transition Services funding is available for small environmental modifications that help the participant settle into the home.

Population Served: Medicaid enrolled New York residents currently living in a nursing home for two years or longer and who wish to move to the community.

4. **Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Medicaid Waiver Program**

<https://www.health.ny.gov/publications/1111.pdf>

Program Description: This waiver program provides services to persons with a traumatic brain injury (TBI) so that they may live in the community setting of their choice. Services include environmental modifications.

Population Served: New York state residents who are Medicaid-eligible, age 18-64, and have a TBI.

5. **Veterans Directed Home and Community-Based Services Program**

[https://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/patients/discharge\\_planning/meetings/2010/2010-06-02/vdhcbs\\_program.htm](https://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/patients/discharge_planning/meetings/2010/2010-06-02/vdhcbs_program.htm)

Program Description: New York serves veterans through collaboration between the Veterans Administration (VA) and local Area Agencies on Aging with grant funds provided by the Nursing Home Diversion Modernization/Community Living Program Grant funded through Administration of Aging. The program is available for eligible veterans of all ages and includes home modification not covered through the VA.

Population Served: Must meet VA eligibility review process for services.

## **NEW YORK STATE HOMES AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL (HCR) AGENCY**

1. **Access to Home Program**

<https://hcr.ny.gov/access-home>

Program Description: The New York State Access to Home program provides financial assistance so that residential units can be made more accessible for low- and moderate-income persons with disabilities. The goal is to help individuals live safely and comfortably in their residence or return to their residence from an institutional facility. There are three programs: three programs Access to Home; Access to Home for Veterans; and Access to Home for Medicaid.

Population Served: Individuals must meet income and disability criteria. Eligible program awardees are not-for-profit corporations and municipalities throughout New York State provide assistance to eligible participants.

**2. The Residential Emergency Services to Offer (Home) Repairs to the Elderly (RESTORE) Program**

<https://hcr.ny.gov/restore-program>

Program Description: This program assists low-income, older homeowners who may face unsafe and unlivable conditions in the home. It specifically addresses situations where the homeowner cannot afford the cost of emergency repairs within a reasonable period of time.

Population Served: Homeowners age 60 and older with a household income not exceeding 100% of the area median income.

## **NEW YORK STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Technology-Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities (TRAIID) Program**

<https://www.justicecenter.ny.gov/traid-program>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **NEW YORK STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Fall Prevention for Older Adults Workgroup: New York**

[https://www.health.ny.gov/prevention/injury\\_prevention/falls\\_in\\_older\\_adults\\_nys.htm](https://www.health.ny.gov/prevention/injury_prevention/falls_in_older_adults_nys.htm)

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<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>



# NORTH CAROLINA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### **NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: AGING AND ADULT SERVICES (State Unit on Aging)**

<https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/daas>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities.

### **NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES**

#### **Independent Living for People with Disabilities**

<https://www.ncdhhs.gov/assistance/disability-services/independent-living-for-people-with-disabilities>

Program Description: This program provides an alternative to living in a nursing home or other facility for eligible individuals. Services include home modifications.

Population Served: Participants must have a significant disability that severely limits their ability to live independently. Financial need is also considered.

### **NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: NC MEDICAID**

<https://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/>

#### **1. Community Alternatives Program for Disabled Adults (CAP/DA)**

<https://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/providers/programs-services/long-term-care/community-alternatives-program-for-disabled-adults>

Program Description: This home and community-based services waiver provides supplemental services, including environmental and accessibility services, to Medicaid beneficiaries who are age 18 and older with a physical disability or who are age 65 and older with functional difficulties due to age and disability.

Population Served: Medicaid beneficiaries who meet a nursing facility level of care, at risk of moving to an institution and who choose to live in their community with the support of home and community-based services.

## 2. **NC Innovations Waiver**

<https://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/providers/programs-and-services/behavioral-health-idd/nc-innovations-waiver>

Program Description: This waiver addresses the needs of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities to receive long-term care services and supports in their home or community, rather than in an institutional setting. Services may include environmental adaptations.

Population Served: North Carolina residents who meet the requirements for the level of care provided in an intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities.

## **NORTH CAROLINA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **North Carolina Assistive Technology Program (NCATP)**

<https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/vocational-rehabilitation-services/north-carolina-assistive-technology-program>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **NORTH CAROLINA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **North Carolina Falls Prevention Coalition**

<http://ncfallsprevention.org>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# NORTH DAKOTA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### NORTH DAKOTA ADULTS AND AGING SERVICES

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/adultsaging/>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities.

Program(s) of the North Dakota State Unit on Aging with home modification or repairs include:

1. The North Dakota Adults and Aging Services Division uses **state general funds** to help individuals who are not eligible for Medicaid waiver services pay for home modifications.
2. **Expanded Service Payments for the Elderly and Disabled (Ex-SPED) Program**  
<https://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/adultsaging/homecare2.html>  
Program Description: This program pays for in-home and community-based services for people who would otherwise receive care in a licensed basic care facility. The program covers environmental modification services. It is limited to modifying the home to enhance client independence.  
Population Served: North Dakota residents who are Medicaid and Supplemental Security Income (SSI)-eligible, meet certain Activities of Daily Living and Instrumental Activities of Daily Living Requirements, and who would otherwise receive services in a licensed basic care facility.
3. **Service Payments for the Elderly and Disabled (SPED) Program**  
[www.nd.gov/dhs/services/adultsaging/homecare1.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/adultsaging/homecare1.html)  
Program Description: The SPED program provides limited environmental modifications that enhance independence for people who are older or physically disabled and who have difficulty completing tasks that enable them to live independently at home.

Population Served: North Dakota residents with incomes of less than \$50,000; inability to pay for services; limitations with four Activity of Daily Living and five Instrumental Activities of Daily Living; capable of managing their own care; and meet other requirements.

## **NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: MEDICAID AGENCY**

### **Medicaid Waiver for Home and Community-Based Services**

<https://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/adultsaging/homecare3.html>

Program Description: This waiver helps eligible individuals who would otherwise require nursing home services to remain in their homes or communities. Environmental modification services are available to modify the recipient's home to enhance their ability to function as independently as possible in the home.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible North Dakota residents at least 65 years of age or residents with a disability by Social Security Disability criteria, living in their own home or apartment, and able to direct their own care.

## **NORTH DAKOTA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **North Dakota Assistive**

<https://ndassistive.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **NORTH DAKOTA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

North Dakota Falls Prevention Coalition (inactive)

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# OHIO

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### OHIO DEPARTMENT OF AGING

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://aging.ohio.gov/>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities.

The Ohio Department of Aging (ODA) trains providers on Older Americans Act program requirements and Ohio's rules for home modification and repair. They have incorporated strategies into the ODA State Plan to research how funding is being used for home modification and to pilot innovative programs that utilize various professions to provide in-home assessments and identify modifications that are needed to allow individuals to remain at home. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **Safe at Home Program**

<https://aging.ohio.gov/safeathome>

Program Description: The Ohio Department of Aging administers and monitors statewide home modification and repair services through its 12 Area Agencies on Aging. The Safe at Home Program has served over 2,000 low income older adults with home modifications and repairs funded by over \$1.2 million in funds administered by the Area Agencies on Aging, \$2.8 million in Medicaid funds, and local levies and localities provide \$381,000 towards home modifications and repairs.

Population Served: Low-income older Ohioans.

2. **Medicaid Waiver Program (PASSPORT)**

<https://aging.ohio.gov/HomeCommunityCare#71533-passport>

Program Description: Ohio's PASSPORT Medicaid Waiver program provides Medicaid-eligible older Ohioans with long-term services and supports (including home modifications) to stay in their homes or other community settings, rather than enter nursing homes, when appropriate. In 2019, the Department of Aging and Ohio Department of Medicaid aligned the rules governing home modifications to ensure the standards for service delivery are the same across all Medicaid Waivers serving individuals with a nursing facility level of care.

Population Served: Ohioans age 60 or older; financially eligible and frail enough for Medicaid institutional care; and able to remain safely at home.

## **OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID**

<https://medicaid.ohio.gov>

### **Ohio Home Care Waiver Program**

<https://medicaid.ohio.gov/FOR-OHIOANS/Programs/Ohio-Home-Care-Waiver>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver program helps individuals with physical disabilities and unstable medical conditions receive care in their homes and communities instead of nursing facilities, hospitals or rehabilitation facilities. The program offers the home modification service and the home maintenance and chore service up to 180 days prior to an individual's transition from an institutional setting and enrollment on the waiver.

Population Served: Individuals with physical disabilities and unstable medical conditions to receive care in their homes and communities instead of nursing facilities, hospitals or rehabilitation facilities.

## **OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY**

### **1. Ohio Housing Trust Fund**

[https://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs\\_htf.htm](https://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_htf.htm)

Program Description: The Ohio Housing Trust Fund is a flexible state funding source focused on providing affordable housing opportunities, expanding housing services, and improving housing conditions for low-income Ohioans and families. Among a range of housing activities, it supports emergency home repairs and accessibility modifications.

Population Served: Low-income working Ohioans.

### **2. Housing Assistance Grant Program**

[https://www.development.ohio.gov/cs/cs\\_affordhousing.htm](https://www.development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_affordhousing.htm)

Program Description: The Housing Assistance Grant Program assists homeowners with staying in their homes by providing emergency home repairs and renovations for accessibility. The program also has limited funding available. Its goal is to promote affordable housing opportunities and improve housing conditions for low-income families and individuals primarily through emergency home repair and limited down payment assistance. Grant funds are provided through the Ohio Housing Trust Fund.

Population Served: Low- and moderate-income Ohioans.

## **OHIO STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

**Ohio's A.T. Act Program, Assistive Technology of Ohio, through Ohio State University**

<https://atohio.engineering.osu.edu/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **OHIO STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

**Ohio Older Adults Fall Prevention Coalition**

<https://odh.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odh/know-our-programs/core-violence-injury-prevention-program/resources/older-adults-falls-prevention-coalition>

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# OKLAHOMA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF AGING SERVICES (State Unit on Aging)

<http://www.okdhs.org/services/aging/Pages/AgingServicesMain.aspx>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

#### **ADvantage Program: Medicaid Waiver**

<http://www.okdhs.org/services/aging/Pages/ADvantageAdmin.aspx>

Program Description: This Medicaid Home and Community-Based Waiver provides non-institutional, long-term care services for older adults and adults with physical disabilities. Under this Program, the Division of Aging Services offers services to eligible adults as an alternative to care in a nursing facility. Services include environmental modifications.

Population Served: Older adults and adults with physical disabilities when there is a reasonable expectation that within a 30-calendar day period, the person's health would, without appropriate services, require nursing facility care.

### OKLAHOMA HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

#### 1. **Living Choice Program**

[http://www.okhca.org/living\\_choice.aspx?id=9476&parts=22007\\_22008&terms=Living%20Choice%20Program](http://www.okhca.org/living_choice.aspx?id=9476&parts=22007_22008&terms=Living%20Choice%20Program)

Program Description: The Living Choice program is Oklahoma's name for the federal Money Follows the Person Program (a federal program that transitions individuals with long-term illnesses and disabilities from institutions to community settings). Services provided include environmental modifications.

Population Served: Participants age 65 or older with disabilities or long-term illnesses may receive a range of necessary medical and home and community-based services for one year after moving from an institutional setting.



2. **In-Home Supports Waiver for Adults**

<http://www.okhca.org/individuals.aspx?id=8149&terms=In%20Home%20Supports%20Waivers>

Program Description: The In-Home Supports Waiver allows individuals and families to select services necessary for each individual to remain in his or her own home. It provides environmental accessibility adaptations and architectural modification.

Population Served: Recipients must be eligible for Sooner Care and be age 18 and older.

3. **Medically Fragile Waiver Program**

[http://www.okhca.org/individuals.aspx?id=12065&parts=21980\\_21981](http://www.okhca.org/individuals.aspx?id=12065&parts=21980_21981)

Program Description: This Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services Waiver is used to finance non-institutional long-term care services for adults with physical disabilities when there is a reasonable expectation that the person's health would, without appropriate services, deteriorate and require a skilled nursing facility or hospital level of care. Services include environmental modifications.

Population Served: Oklahoma residents, age 19 and older who meet hospital and/or skilled nursing level of care, qualify for SoonerCare (Medicaid), and live at home or in a residential setting.

## **OKLAHOMA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Oklahoma ABLE Tech, Oklahoma's Assistive Technology Act Program**

<https://www.okabletech.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **OKLAHOMA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Older Adult Falls Prevention Coalition**

<http://falls.health.ok.gov>

[https://www.ok.gov/health/Protective\\_Health/Injury\\_Prevention\\_Service/Falls\\_Prevention/index.html](https://www.ok.gov/health/Protective_Health/Injury_Prevention_Service/Falls_Prevention/index.html)

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<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# OREGON

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: SENIORS AND PEOPLE WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/SENIORS-DISABILITIES/SPPD/Pages/index.aspx>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities.

### OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/Pages/Portal-About-OHA.aspx>

#### Community First Choice (K-Plan) State Plan

<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/SENIORS-DISABILITIES/KPLAN/Pages/index.asp>

Program Description: The K-Plan is a Medicaid state plan option authorized under the Affordable Care Act. The service benefits Oregonians who want to stay in their homes and communities and remain independent. Services may include environmental modifications and assistive technology.

Population Served: Individuals eligible for medical assistance under the State plan and in an eligibility group that includes nursing facility services, or are below 150% of federal poverty level if they are in an eligibility group that doesn't include nursing facility services.

### OREGON STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

#### iCanConnect - Oregon Access Technologies, Inc.

<https://www.accesstechnologiesinc.org/>

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## **OREGON STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Oregon Healthy Aging Network**

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/PreventionWellness/SafeLiving/FallPrevention/Pages/index.aspx>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# PENNSYLVANIA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.aging.pa.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities.

#### 1. Caregiver Support Program

<https://www.aging.pa.gov/aging-services/caregiver-support/Pages/default.aspx>

Program Description: This program focuses on decreasing the stresses of caregiving by reimbursing primary caregivers for costs associated with caregiving, such as respite, caregiving-related services, and modifications to the environment that support caregiving. It is administered by local Area Agencies on Aging. In 2018, the state increased the lifetime limit for home modifications.

Population Served: Eligibility requirements vary by age of caregiver.

#### 2. Help at Home: Options Program

<https://www.aging.pa.gov/aging-services/help-at-Home/Pages/default.aspx>

Program Description: This program provides a variety of services to individuals 60 years and older to help them stay in their own homes. Supplemental Services include home modifications to improve safety and accessibility. In 2018, the state increased the lifetime limit for home modifications.

Population Served: Pennsylvania residents age 60 years and older who have an unmet need for services.

### PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: MEDICAID OFFICE

#### 1. Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Individuals Ages 60 and Older

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Disabilities-Aging/Pages/Aging-Waiver.aspx>

Program Description: This waiver helps older Pennsylvanians continue to live in their homes and communities with support and services, including home adaptations.

Population Served: Pennsylvania residents 60 years and older who require a skilled nursing facility level of care.

## 2. **Independence Waiver**

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Disabilities-Aging/Pages/Independence-Waiver.aspx>

Program Description: This waiver helps adults with severe physical disabilities remain at home or live in the community. Services include accessibility adaptations.

Population Served: Pennsylvania residents between the ages of 18-60 with a physical disability that limits three or more of the following major life activities: self-care, understanding and use of language, learning, mobility, self-direction and/or capacity for independent living. Financial requirements are determined by the county.

## **PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY**

<https://www.phfa.org/programs/repairs.aspx>

### **Access Home Modification**

Program Description: This program provides deferred payment mortgage loans with no interest and no monthly payment to assist persons with disabilities (or households with a family member(s) with disabilities) who are purchasing a home that needs accessibility modifications. The loan becomes due and payable upon sale, transfer, or non-owner occupancy of the property. Home modifications include changes made to the bathroom, kitchens, and access areas to the home.

Population Served: Homebuyers with a permanent disability or who have a family member living in the household with a permanent disability who are purchasing a new or existing home.

## **PENNSYLVANIA LOTTERY**

<https://www.palottery.state.pa.us/About-PA-Lottery.aspx>

<https://www.palottery.state.pa.us/About-PA-Lottery/Where-Does-The-Money-Go.aspx>

Program Description: The Pennsylvania Lottery is the only state lottery that designates all proceeds to programs that serve older adults across a state. Funds are allocated through Area Agencies in Pennsylvania for a variety of services that include home modification.

Populations Served: Older adults in Pennsylvania.

## **PENNSYLVANIA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **TechOWL PA**

<https://techowlpa.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **PENNSYLVANIA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Pennsylvania State Fall Prevention Coalition**

<https://www.ncoa.org/wp-content/uploads/Pennsylvania-Falls-Prevention-Coalition-Description.pdf>

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# RHODE ISLAND

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND OFFICE OF HEALTHY AGING

(State Unit on Aging)

<http://www.oha.ri.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities.

### RHODE ISLAND EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### Rhode Island Long Term Services and Supports Program

<http://www.eohhs.ri.gov/Consumer/ConsumerInformation/Healthcare/LongTermServicesandSupports.aspx>

Program Description: This Medicaid program provides home and community-based services that assist individuals with living in their homes and communities as an alternative to institutionalization or otherwise. Services may include home modification.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible Rhode Island residents who meet clinical and functional criteria.

### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

<http://www.gcd.ri.gov/>

#### The Rhode Island Livable Home Modification Grant

<http://www.gcd.ri.gov/RI%20Livable%20Home%20Modification%20Complete%20Application%20Effective%20Oct%202019.pdf>

Program Description: This program partially reimburses accessible home modifications for individuals who have disabilities so that they may live more safely in their homes and remain in the community. The grant is 50% of the total retrofit costs and up to \$5,000. Grant awards include the cost of the needs assessment and post renovation certification of compliance. The Rhode Island Office of Healthy Aging helps to promote this program through Aging and Disability Resource Centers across the state.

Population Served: The grant is available to individuals who have a physical or mental disability that substantially limits one or more major life activities. Individuals must either live in the home to be modified or be living in the home once modifications are completed.

## **RHODE ISLAND STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Rhode Island Assistive Technology Access Partnership (ATAP)**

<http://www.atap.ri.gov/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **RHODE ISLAND STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Rhode Island Fall Injury Prevention Subcommittee**

<http://ownyourhealthri.org/>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>



# SOUTH CAROLINA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT ON AGING

(State Unit on Aging)

<https://aging.sc.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

#### ELDERCARE TRUST FUND

<https://aging.sc.gov/programs-initiatives/eldercare-trust-fund>

Program Description: Established in 1992, the ElderCare Trust Fund helps South Carolinians in need by awarding grants to innovative programs that help older adults age in place and avoid institutionalization. The South Carolina Department of Aging has awarded over \$400,000 to more than 30 non-profit organizations statewide via the Trust Fund, including the **Anderson Interfaith Ministry Housing Program**

<https://www.aimcharity.org/>. This non-profit assists low-income homeowners to remain in their homes by providing ramps and repairs to support health and safety in the home. Population Served: Low-income homeowners.

### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: BUREAU OF LONG-TERM CARE AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

#### Community Long Term Care (CLTC) Community Choices Medicaid Waiver

<https://www.scdhhs.gov/historic/insideDHHS/Bureaus/BureauofLongTermCareServices/CLTCOverview.html>

Program Description: This waiver helps individuals remain at home and avoid unnecessary or premature nursing home placement. Environmental modifications are an eligible service.

Population Served: Eligible persons include those age 18 or older who qualify for Medicaid; are unable to perform activities of daily living such as bathing, dressing, and toileting due to illness or disability; and meet the same level of care that is needed to enter a nursing facility.

## **SOUTH CAROLINA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **The South Carolina Assistive Technology Program (SCATP)**

<https://scatp.med.sc.edu/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **South Carolina Fall Prevention Initiatives**

<https://www.scdhec.gov/health/prevent-accidents/prevent-falls>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# SOUTH DAKOTA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### **SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: DIVISION OF LONG TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS**

#### **(State Unit on Aging)**

<https://dhs.sd.gov/LTSS/default.aspx>

**State Units on Aging (SUAs)** are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including **Older Americans Act** funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local **Area Agencies on Aging** and other state and local entities. The home modification efforts of the South Dakota Division of Long Term Services and Supports include:

#### **Home & Community-Based Options and Person-Centered Excellence (HOPE) Medicaid Waiver**

<https://dhs.sd.gov/ltss/titlexix.aspx>

**Program Description:** The Home & Community-Based Options and Person-Centered Excellence (HOPE) Medicaid Waiver is administered by the Division of Long-Term Services and Supports to provide home and community-based services to individuals that are at-risk for institutionalization. Environmental accessibility adaptations are a covered service.

**Population Served:** Medicaid-eligible individuals age 65 and older; or age 18 and older with a qualifying disability who meet a nursing facility of level of care.

### **SOUTH DAKOTA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

#### **Community Home Improvement Program (CHIP)**

<https://www.sdhda.org/homeownership/home-improvement>

**Program Description:** The Community Home Improvement Program provides low interest loans for eligible homeowners to improve or repair their single-family home. Accessibility modifications are an eligible improvement. A CHIP participating lender will originate, process, and close the CHIP Loan.

**Population Served:** Homeowners who meet the household income requirements.

## **SOUTH DAKOTA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **DakotaLink**

<https://www.dakotalink.net/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **SOUTH DAKOTA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **South Dakota Falls Prevention Initiatives**

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<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# TENNESSEE

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### TENNESSEE COMMISSION ON AGING AND DISABILITY

(State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.tn.gov/aging.html>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

#### **Senior Trust/Elder Trust**

<https://www.tn.gov/aging/administration/seniortrust-eldertrust.html>

Program Description: The Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disabilities oversees the \$36 million Senior Trust/Elder Trust related to the settlement of two court cases. Funding is granted to six different in-state organizations for the purposes of implementing statewide initiatives designed to improve older Tennesseans' lives. Two organizations focus on home modification and repair: Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis and Westminster Home Connection.

Population Served: Low-income older adults in Tennessee in need of home modification services.

### DIVISION OF TENNCARE: MEDICAID

#### **CHOICES in Long-term Services and Supports**

<https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/long-term-services-supports/choices.html>

Program Description: CHOICES assists adults age 21 and older with a physical disability and adults age 65 and older to live independently in their community. Home and community-based services provided in the home include minor home modifications that support safer and easier functioning such as grab bars and wheelchair ramps.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible Tennessee residents age 21 years and older with a physical disability or age 65 or older.

## TENNESSEE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (THDA)

### 1. Emergency Repair Program

<https://thda.org/homeowners/erp>

Program Description: To stabilize a homeowner's residence and make it more livable, the Emergency Repair Program corrects, repairs, or replaces an essential system and/or critical structural problem for low-income homeowners who are age 60 and older or persons with a disability. Bathroom modifications and ramps necessary for safe functioning and access are included.

Population Served: Low-income homeowners age 60 or older or persons with a disability of any age.

### 2. Flexible Homes Concepts Program

<https://thda.org/business-partners/fhc>

Program Description: This voluntary certification program is designed to encourage builders of new single or multi-family homes to voluntarily include design features which make a home accessible, visitable and convenient for everyone. The certified home must have the following features included in its design: 1) easy access with a step-free entrance of not more than ½ inch from a driveway, sidewalk or other firm surface into the main floor of the home; 2) easy passage throughout the home with an exterior door that provides a minimum of 32 inches of clear passage (36 inches is preferable) from the step-free entrance. All interior passage doorways on the main floor also provide a minimum of 32 inches of clear passage; and 3) easy use with a main floor that includes a kitchen, some entertainment area, at least one bedroom and one full bathroom. The full bathroom will provide at least 30" by 48" of maneuvering space that allows easy access to the sink, commode and shower or tub.

Population Served: Tennessee homeowners.

### 3. Tennessee Housing Trust Fund/Home Modifications and Ramps Program

<https://thda.org/homeowners/need-home-repairs>

Program Description: This Tennessee Housing Development Agency program provides funding for home modifications and repairs for low- and very low-income older adults, persons with disabilities, and persons with special needs. The statewide Home Modifications and Ramps Program is administered by United Cerebral Palsy of Middle Tennessee. It provides funding for ramp construction and other home modifications that assist persons with disabilities to maintain their independence.

Population Served: Tennesseans with any disability that results in mobility impairment and the need for a wheelchair ramp who meet the Tennessee Housing Trust Fund's household income criteria.

4. **Tennessee Repair Loan Program**

<https://thda.org/homeowners/trlp>

Program Description: This program provides loans of up to \$25,000 with 5% interest rates for repairs or modifications to provide safe and supportive housing.

Population Served: Low-income veterans, older adults, and homeowners with special needs who have owned the home for at least five years.

## **TENNESSEE STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Tennessee Technology Access Program (TTAP)**

<https://www.tn.gov/humanservices/ds/ttap.html>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **TENNESSEE STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Tennessee Fall Prevention Initiatives**

<https://www.tn.gov/aging/our-programs/health-promotion-and-prevention.html>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# TEXAS

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### STATE UNIT ON AGING: TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES - DEPARTMENT OF AGING

(State Unit on Aging)

<https://hhs.texas.gov/services/aging>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

#### **Elderly Housing Set-Aside**

<https://fmcpa.cpa.state.tx.us/fiscalmoa/rev.jsp?num=3632>

Program Description: The Texas Housing Corporation Act authorized local government codes that allow for multifamily residential developments to opt to pay a fee equal to one-tenth of the total principal amount of the loan to the housing finance corporations rather than reserve 5% of the units for occupancy by low-income older people. These fees are remitted to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission State Department of Aging, and then awarded to Area Agencies on Aging to help older adults obtain housing services, including home repair and modification.

Population Served: Older Texans.

### TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

#### **Home and Community-Based Services - Adult Mental Health (HCBS-AMH) Program**

<https://hhs.texas.gov/doing-business-hhs/provider-portals/behavioral-health-services-providers/home-community-based-services-adult-mental-health>

Program Description: This program provides services to persons with serious mental illness who meet certain clinical, financial and need-based criteria. One of the services provided is minor home modifications.

Population Served: Persons with severe mental illness.



## TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: MEDICAID WAIVERS

### 1. **Community Living Assistance and Support Services (CLASS)**

<https://hhs.texas.gov/doing-business-hhs/provider-portals/long-term-care-providers/community-living-assistance-support-services-class>

Program Description: CLASS provides home and community-based services to individuals with intellectual disabilities or related conditions (a disability, other than an intellectual disability, that originated before age 22 and that affects a person's ability to function in daily life) as an alternative to an intermediate care facility. Minor home modifications are included as a service with a lifetime maximum of \$10,000 plus \$300 per yearly Individualized Plan of Care for repair and maintenance after the lifetime limit has been utilized.

Population Served: Texas residents not living in an institutional setting who have been diagnosed with a related condition prior to age 22 as described in the Texas Approved Diagnostic Codes for Persons with Related Conditions. They must also meet the level-of-care criteria for placement in an intermediate care facility as well as specified income and resource limits.

### 2. **Deaf Blind with Multiple Disabilities (DBMD) Program**

<https://hhs.texas.gov/doing-business-hhs/provider-portals/long-term-care-providers/deaf-blind-multiple-disabilities-dbmd>

Program Description: The DBMD Program provides home and community-based services to people who are deaf-blind with multiple disabilities to support living in the community. It includes minor home modifications with a lifetime maximum of \$10,000 plus \$300 per yearly Individualized Plan of Care for repair and maintenance after the lifetime limit has been utilized.

Population Served: Texas residents not living in an institutional setting who have a diagnosis of deaf blindness (or a related condition that will result in deaf blindness) as well as an additional diagnosis before age 22. There are also income and resource limits and the person must not be enrolled in any other Medicaid waiver program.

### 3. **STAR PLUS Home and Community-Based Services Program**

<https://hhs.texas.gov/services/health/medicaid-chip/programs/starplus>

Program Description: STAR PLUS is a Medicaid managed care program for people who have disabilities or are age 65 or older. It offers minor home modifications to members who are enrolled in the STAR+PLUS Home and Community-based Services Program. There is a \$7,500 lifetime limit for minor home modifications plus \$300 per yearly Individualized Plan of Care for repair and maintenance after the lifetime limit has been utilized.

Population Served: STAR PLUS Home and Community-Based Services Program members who are age 21 or older with a disability or age 65 or older.

4. **Texas Home Living (TxHmL) Waiver Program**

<https://hhs.texas.gov/doing-business-hhs/provider-portals/long-term-care-providers/texas-home-living-txhtml>

Program Description: The TxHmL Medicaid Waiver Program provides supplemental essential services and supports not provided by other programs to individuals with an intellectual disability or a related condition so that they can continue to live in the community. Services include minor home modifications with a \$7,500 lifetime limit plus \$300 per yearly Individualized Plan of Care for repair and maintenance after the lifetime limit has been utilized.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible Texans with an IQ of 69 or below or who have an approved related condition with an IQ of 75 or below with mild to severe deficits in adaptive behavior.

## **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS**

### **Amy Young Barrier Removal Program (AYBRP)**

<https://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/hhf/single-family/amy-young.htm>

Program Description: Funded by the Housing Trust Fund of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, the Amy Young Barrier Removal Program provides one-time grants of up to \$20,000 for persons with disabilities who need modifications to increase accessibility and eliminate hazardous conditions in their home. The program is implemented through partnerships with units of local government; councils of government; self-help centers; nonprofit organizations; local mental health authorities; public housing authorities and other applicable organizations. It has served an average of 112 households per year since 2010.

Population Served: A homeowner or tenant with a disability whose household income does not exceed 80% of the Area Median Family Income.

## **TEXAS STATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING CORPORATION**

### **Texas Foundations Fund/Home Repair Program**

<https://www.tsahc.org/nonprofits-local-governments/texas-foundations-fund-in-your-community>

Program Description: Through the Texas Foundations Fund, the Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation provides grants to nonprofits to carry out home repairs and accessibility modifications in homes of very low-income homeowners.

Population Served: Low-income homeowners and families.

## **TEXAS STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **The Texas Technology Access Program**

<http://techaccess.edb.utexas.edu/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **TEXAS STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Texas Falls Prevention Coalition**

<http://fallsfreetexas.org/>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# UTAH

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### UTAH DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: AGING AND ADULT SERVICES (State Unit on Aging)

<https://daas.utah.gov/seniors/>

**State Units on Aging (SUAs)** are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including **Older Americans Act** funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local **Area Agencies on Aging** and other state and local entities.

### UTAH DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: MEDICAID

#### 1. **Acquired Brain Injury Waiver**

<https://medicaid.utah.gov/ltc/abi/>

**Program Description:** This Medicaid Waiver provides supportive services including environmental adaptations to assist people with an acquired brain injury to remain in their homes or other community-based settings.

**Population Served:** Utah Medicaid-eligible residents age 18 and older with a documented brain injury who require nursing facility level of care.

#### 2. **Aging Waiver**

<https://medicaid.utah.gov/ltc/ag/>

**Program Description:** The Aging Waiver provides supportive services to help older adults remain in their homes or other community-based settings. Environmental accessibility modifications are an eligible service.

**Population Served:** Participants must be age 65 or older, require nursing facility level of care, and meet financial eligibility requirements for Medicaid.

#### 3. **Community Supports Waiver**

<https://medicaid.utah.gov/ltc/cs/>

**Program Description:** This Medicaid Waiver provides supportive services to help persons with intellectual disabilities or conditions related to intellectual disabilities remain in their homes or other community-based settings. Environmental adaptations are included.

**Population Served:** Medicaid-eligible individuals who meet functional impairment and onset of condition criteria.

## **UTAH STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

**Utah Assistive Technology Program (UATP), part of the Center for Persons with Disabilities at Utah State University**

<http://www.uatpat.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **UTAH STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

**Utah Falls Prevention Coalition/Living Well Coalition**

<https://arthritis.health.utah.gov/partners/living-well-coalition/>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# VERMONT

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### VERMONT DISABILITIES, AGING AND INDEPENDENT LIVING

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://dail.vermont.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

#### 1. **Choices for Care Program**

<https://asd.vermont.gov/services/choices-for-care-program>

Program Description: Choices for Care provides a package of long-term services and supports to individuals age 18 and older who meet the nursing home level of care. Services may be received in one's setting of choice: a participant's home or family's home, an Adult Family Care home, Enhanced Residential Care or a nursing facility. All individuals who receive services in a home-based option may receive home modifications. Case managers work with the individual to identify the home modifications that maintain their health, safety, wellbeing and independence at home. Covered modifications include grab bars, ramps, raised toilet seats, and widened doorways. Total purchases may not exceed \$777 per calendar year per individual.

Population Served: Participants must meet a clinical and financial eligibility for long-term care Medicaid in Vermont.

#### 2. **Falls Free Vermont**

<https://fallsfreevermont.org/>

Program Description: The Vermont State Unit on Aging has co-chaired the statewide Falls Free Vermont coalition for the past three years, working alongside other state agencies and community-based organizations to raise awareness of falls, expand programs and resources to prevent falls (including home safety and home modifications), increase surveillance of falls, and advocate for support.

Population Served: Older adults and people with disabilities in Vermont at-risk of falls.

### 3. One Touch

<https://onetouchhousing.com/locations/vermont/>

Program Description: Through a partnership with the Vermont Department of Health, the Vermont State Unit on Aging promotes a pilot program called "One Touch" in which experts who are called to a home for weatherization are able to do a falls risk screening and make simple modifications during the visit.

Population Served: Low-income families receiving energy upgrades with added health and social services.

## VERMONT STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living Assistive Technology Program

<https://atp.vermont.gov/>

<http://www.fallsfreevermont.org>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## VERMONT STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION

**Falls Free Vermont** (see description above)

<https://fallsfreevermont.org/>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# VIRGINIA

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT FOR AGING AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.vda.virginia.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act (OAA) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and other state and local entities.

In Virginia, eight of 25 AAAs provide “residential repair and renovation” services using Older Americans Act funds and an additional 3 AAAs provide home modification services with other funding sources.

#### Virginia Falls Prevention Coalition

<https://www.vda.virginia.gov/vaFallsprevention.htm>

Program Description: The Virginia State Unit on Aging is a partner in the Virginia Falls Prevention Coalition. The goal is to increase awareness of fall risk factors, promote access to fall prevention interventions (including home modifications) and empower older adults, individuals with disabilities, and their caregivers to engage in activities to reduce the risk and incidence of falls.

Population Served: Older Virginians, Virginians with a disability, and caregivers.

### VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

#### 1. Emergency Home and Accessibility Repair Program (EHARP)

<https://dhcd.virginia.gov/eharp>

Program Description: This statewide Program provides funding to local administrators to make physical repairs that improve housing conditions. While the focus is on removing urgent, emergency health and safety hazards, it also addresses physical accessibility barriers. Eligible repairs can include plumbing, structural, electrical and roofing, as well as the installation of wheelchair ramps and other accessibility modifications.



Population Served: Homeowners and renters (with homeowner written approval) with total gross household income from all sources not exceeding 80% of area median income, adjusted for family size, which is currently determined by HUD. The maximum assistance is \$4,000.

## **2. The Virginia Livable Home Tax Credit (LHTC)**

<https://www.dhcd.virginia.gov/lhtc>

Program Description: The Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development, the State of Virginia earmarked \$1,000,000/year for this tax credit which covers home modifications including accessible entrances, widening doors and hallways, and changes to the bathroom and kitchen to improve accessibility. Tax credits are available for up to \$5,000 for the purchase of a new accessible residence and up to 50% for the cost of retrofitting existing units, not to exceed \$5,000.

Population Served: Individuals or licensed contractors filing Virginia income tax returns who have incurred costs for the purchase or construction of new residential units with accessibility or universal visitability features, or for the retrofitting of existing residential units with these features, on or after January 1, 2008. New residential units must include at least three features of the universal visitability standards, or include at least three accessibility features. Existing units being retrofitted must include at least one accessibility or visitability feature. All accessibility and universal visitability features must be completed in conformity with the provisions of Virginia's Uniform Statewide Building Code. Accessibility features that are provided in order to comply with existing Fair Housing, Equal Opportunity, Americans with Disabilities Act, or other local, state or federal requirements are not eligible for tax credits.

## **VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES**

### **Commonwealth Coordinated Care (CCC) Plus Waiver**

<https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/longtermwaivers>

Program Description: This Medicaid Waiver provides community-based services and care in home settings rather than in institutions. Home modifications of up to \$5,000 per individual per calendar year may be provided.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible individuals who meet a nursing facility level of care.

## **VIRGINIA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

### **1. Granting Freedom: Virginia Military Home Modification Grant Program**

<https://www.vhda.com/Programs/Pages/GrantingFreedom.aspx>

Program Description: Through a partnership with the Virginia Department of Veterans Services, the Virginia Housing Development Authority has a grant program for home modifications for veterans with a disability and service

members who sustained a line-of-duty injury resulting in a service-connected disability.

Population Served: Virginia veterans and servicemembers who sustained a line-of-duty injury resulting in a service-connected disability.

## **2. Rental Unit Accessibility Modification Grant Program**

<https://www.vhda.com/Renters/Pages/AccessibleRentalHousing.aspx>

Program Description: The Virginia Housing Development Authority offers accessibility grants to eligible people with disabilities who are renting their homes. Grants of up to \$6,000 may be used to install ramps, grab bars and other modifications to support independent living.

Population Served: Renters with disabilities who earn 80% or less of the area median income.

## **VIRGINIA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Virginia Assistive Technology System (VATS)**

<http://www.vats.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **VIRGINIA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Virginia Falls Prevention Coalition** (see description above)

<https://www.vda.virginia.gov/vaFallsprevention.htm>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# WASHINGTON

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### WASHINGTON STATE AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION (AL TSA) (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities. Program(s) that include home modification or repairs include:

#### 1. Medicaid Waivers

Program Description: The Washington State Unit on Aging (AL TSA) contracts with 13 Area Agencies on Aging to maintain a statewide Medicaid provider network to serve clients who are eligible for Medicaid long-term services and supports. Medicaid Waiver programs include: 1) the Community Options Program Entry System (COPEs); the New Freedom 1915(c) Medicaid Waivers; and 3) the Medicaid 1115 Transformation Demonstration Waiver. These waivers provide long-term services and supports to adults with unmet needs for assistance with activities of daily living due to functional impairments caused by age, physical disability or cognitive impairment. Services and supports may also be provided to their unpaid family caregivers. Home modification is an eligible benefit. The 1115 Demonstration Waiver's home modification benefit level meets home modification needs up to \$3,600.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible clients who are also eligible for long-term services and supports. Clients may choose to receive services from any qualified provider of a particular service.

## 2. Veteran Directed Home Services

<https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/stakeholders/veteran-directed-home-services-vdhs>

Program Description: This program provides eligible Veterans with home and community-based services that enable them to continue to live in their homes and communities. The services are coordinated and delivered by four Area Agencies on Aging in Western Washington. Participants may choose to spend funds on a modification to their residence or vehicle to accommodate their disabilities and promote functional independence, health, safety and welfare. Modifications include: ramps, grab bars, modifications of doors, and minor home repairs.

Population Served: Veterans enrolled to receive primary care at a Veterans Administration (VA) Puget Sound Health Care System hospital or clinic, have a VA primary care team, meet the eligibility criteria for home and community-based services as determined by the Veterans Administration, and receive a referral.

## NORTHWEST ACCESS FUND

<https://www.nwaccessfund.org/>

Program Description: Northwest Access Fund, a non-profit, provides funding to people with disabilities in Washington and Oregon so that they may purchase assistive technology and home modifications that support independence. For home modifications, the loan may be up to \$40,000 with a 10-year term.

Population Served: Eligible recipients include Washington and Oregon residents of all ages with disabilities of all types, including older adults with age-related functional limitations.

## WASHINGTON STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

### Washington Assistive Technology Act Program (WATAP)

<http://watap.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## WASHINGTON STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION

### Washington State Fall Prevention Network

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/InjuryandViolencePrevention/OlderAdultFalls/FallPreventionResources>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# WEST VIRGINIA

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### WEST VIRGINIA BUREAU OF SENIOR SERVICES

(State Unit on Aging)

<http://www.wvseniorservices.gov/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities.

#### Medicaid Aged and Disabled Waiver Program

<http://www.wvseniorservices.gov/HelpatHome/MedicaidAgedandDisabledWaiver/tabid/77/Default.aspx>

Program Description: The West Virginia Medicaid Aged and Disabled Waiver (ADW) Program, administered by the State Unit on Aging, provides in-home and community services to individuals age 18 and older who need support services to maintain their independence. Home modifications are an eligible supportive service.

Population Served: Medicaid-eligible West Virginians age 18 and older who meet medical eligibility based on a functional assessment by a medical professional.

### WEST VIRGINIA STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

#### West Virginia Assistive Technology System (WVATS)

<http://wvats.cedwvu.org/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the Assistive Technology Act of 2004, supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of assistive technology (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

### WEST VIRGINIA STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION

West Virginia Falls Prevention Initiatives

<http://www.wvseniorservices.gov/>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# WISCONSIN

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, SERVICES FOR OLDER ADULTS

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/aging/index.htm>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **Alzheimer's Family and Caregiver Support Program**

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/aging/alzfcgsp.htm>

Program Description: The Alzheimer's Family and Caregiver Support Program, coordinated by the Wisconsin Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources, is available in every county and tribe throughout the state. Funds are made available to assist individuals to purchase services and goods related to the care of someone with Alzheimer's Disease, including home modifications. Up to \$4,000 per person may be available.

Population Served: Income eligibility requirements vary by county or tribe. The person must be diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease or any other irreversible dementias.

2. **National Family Caregiver Support Program**

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/aging/caregiver.htm>

Program Description: The National Family Caregiver Support Program, implemented statewide by the Wisconsin State Unit on Aging, provides services and supports that help family members and informal caregivers, including supplemental services such as home modifications and assistive devices.

Population Served: Priority is given to low-income families but income level is not a requirement.

## **WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES**

### **Family Care Waiver Program**

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/familycare/index.htm>

Program Description: This program for frail elders and adults with physical, developmental, or intellectual disabilities provides long-term care services that help individuals live in their own home, including home modifications. Aging and Disability Resource Centers are the point of contact for eligibility.

Population Served: Older adults and adults with a disability with long-term care service needs who meet financial eligibility requirements. Medicaid-eligible individuals automatically meet the financial eligibility criteria for Family Care. People receiving the Family Care benefit may be required to pay a cost share to their managed care organization.

## **WISCONSIN STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Wisconsin's Assistive Technology Program (WisTech)**

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disabilities/wistech/index.htm>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages.

## **WISCONSIN STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Wisconsin Falls Prevention Initiative**

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/injury-prevention/falls/index.htm>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

## **WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION: DIVISION OF ENERGY, HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES (DEHCR)**

### **HOME Homebuyer and Rehabilitation Program**

<https://doa.wi.gov/Pages/LocalGovtsGrants/HOMEHHRMainPage.aspx>

Program Description: This program provides both home purchase assistance and necessary home rehabilitation for dwelling units occupied by low- and moderate-income households with funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). The Owner-occupied Rehabilitation Program provides funding for making essential improvements to single-family homes and includes accessibility improvements.

Population Served: Low- and moderate-income households with funding available via local units of government.

# WYOMING

## A State Profile of Home Modification Activities

### WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AGING DIVISION

(State Unit on Aging)

<https://health.wyo.gov/aging/>

State Units on Aging (SUAs) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including Older Americans Act funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local Area Agencies on Aging and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **National Family Caregiver Support Program/Older Americans Act Title III-E Program**

<https://health.wyo.gov/aging/communityliving/older-americans-act-programs/nfcp/>

Program Description: Wyoming's implementation of the National Family Caregiver Support Program focuses on respite support for caregivers to have temporary breaks from responsibilities, support group connections, and needed services for caregiving support including modifying the home environment. It offers between \$300-\$400 in home modifications for eligible participants.

Population Served: Adults age 18 and older who are caregivers for a person age 60 or older or for someone of any age who has Alzheimer's Disease or a related dementia condition. In Laramie and Sheridan Counties, support is also available for older relative caregivers, age 55 and older, raising: a) their grandchildren, b) related children age 17 or younger, or c) helping an adult age 18-59 who have a disability. The parent of an individual age 18-59 with a disability is also eligible.

2. **Wyoming Home Services Program**

<https://health.wyo.gov/aging/communityliving/community-living-section-programs/wyhs/>

Program Description: The Wyoming Home Services Program provides home and community based-services to help people stay in the least restrictive environment for as long as possible, such as home modification. Participants are eligible for between \$300-\$400 in home modification services.

Population Served: Clients must be age 18 or older, and, through an ongoing evaluation, at risk of premature institutionalization.



## **WYOMING STATE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM**

### **Wyoming State Assistive Technology Resources Program (WATR)**

<http://www.uwyo.edu/wind/watr/>

The State Assistive Technology Grant Program, funded under the [Assistive Technology Act of 2004](#), supports comprehensive, statewide programs in each state that improve the provision of [assistive technology](#) (often home modification-related) to individuals with disabilities of all ages. The Wyoming State Assistive Technology Resources Program's primarily provides assistive technology but also partners with a bank to offer people with disabilities the opportunity to finance home modifications to improve mobility, accessibility, or quality of life. Wyoming residents may borrow between \$500 and \$25,000.

## **WYOMING STATE FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **Wyoming Injury and Violence Prevention Program**

<https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/prevention/wivpp/injuryoafalls/>

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>

# District of Columbia

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### DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND COMMUNITY LIVING

#### (State Unit on Aging)

<https://dcoa.dc.gov/>

[State Units on Aging \(SUAs\)](#) are designated state-level agencies that develop and administer state plans that advocate for and provide assistance, including home modifications or repairs, to older residents, their families, and adults with physical disabilities. SUAs administer funds, including [Older Americans Act](#) funds, which may be used to support home modification or repair services through local [Area Agencies on Aging](#) and other state and local entities. Program(s) with home modification or repairs include:

1. **The Elderly and Persons with Disabilities (EPD) Waiver**

<https://dcoa.dc.gov/EPDWaiverProgram>

**Program Description:** This Medicaid Waiver supports individuals who are age 65 and older or between 18 and 64 years old and have a physical disability. The services offered include environmental accessibility adaptations which allow for physical adaptations (such as ramps, stair-lifts, and grab bars) to a participant's home that are necessary to ensure the health, safety and wellness of the participant.

**Population Served:** Medicaid-eligible District residents over the age of 65 or between the ages of 18 to 64 with a physical disability.

2. **Safe at Home Program**

<https://dcoa.dc.gov/safe-home>

**Program Description:** The Department of Aging and Community Living's Safe at Home Program provides safety adaptations in and around the homes of qualifying residents age 60 years and older as well as individuals with disabilities age 18-59 years old. Adaptations include handrails, grab bars, bathtub cuts, shower seats, furniture risers, chair lifts, and security cameras. In FY 2019, the agency received an increase of \$926,000 from FY 2018.

**Population Served:** Washington, DC homeowners or renters age 60 years or older and individuals with disabilities age 18-59 years with an annual household income at or below 80% of Area Median Income.

3. **Senior Home Repair Service Program**

<https://dcoa.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/dcoa/publication/attachments/New%2520Programs%2520at%2520DCOA.pdf>

Program Description: The DC Office of Aging and Community Living has partnered with YouthBuild Public Charter Schools to provide older adults with free labor for small home repairs, home improvements or painting projects.

Population Served: Older DC residents.

## **DC HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

### **Single Family Residential Rehabilitation Program**

<https://dhcd.dc.gov/SFRRP>

Program Description: The DC Housing and Community Development Department Single Family Residential Rehabilitation (SFRRP) administers loans and/or grants for home repairs through four different programs: 1) Roof Repair Program; 2) Handicapped Accessibility Improvement Program; 3) Rehabilitation Loans; and 4) Senior Deferred Loan Program. The focus is to alleviate DC building code violations and assist homeowners in repairing health and safety concerns and modifying and/or eliminating barriers to accessibility for persons with mobility or other physical impairments.

Population Served: Homeowners with a primary residence of at least 3 years with homeowners insurance who meet income requirements.

## **DC FALL PREVENTION COALITION**

### **DC Falls Free Coalition**

Contact [linda.irizarry@dc.gov](mailto:linda.irizarry@dc.gov) for more information.

For an up to date list of all state fall prevention coalitions, visit:

<https://www.ncoa.org/resources/list-of-state-falls-prevention-coalitions/>