

HUD Older Adult Home Modification Program Grant

Are you an older Vermont Homeowner in need of repairs to your home so you can stay safe and independent?

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Cathedral Square was recently awarded a grant by the Department of Housing and Urban Development that aims to enable low-income elderly Vermont homeowners to stay in their homes longer and more independently.

The program aims to reduce risk of falling, improve general safety, and increase accessibility through low-cost, low barrier, high impact home modifications. Our Occupational Therapist will meet with each home owner to assess the home and participant and then create a plan for individualized interventions and home modifications. A Home Modification Technician will then work with the home owner to implement the recommended modifications.

The Older Adults Home Modification Grant Program serves eligible homeowners in the Vermont towns of Williston, Richmond, Bolton, Hinesburg, Huntington, Jericho and Underhill.

Examples of work/repairs:

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bathroom accessibility items, improvements to entry ways and thresholds for safe walking, task lighting and lighting for safety, kitchen accessibility equipment, stair rails, etc.

The OT assessments and all home modification work will be done at zero cost to the homeowner.

<u>To qualify you must</u>: own your home, have an household income below \$53,700 for 1 person or \$61,400 for 2 persons and be at least 62 years of age

If you have questions or to qualify contact the Program Manager for this grant, Carolyn Gipson at <u>gipson@cathedralsquare.org</u> or (802) 488-0734

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