



About the Community Aging in Place Grant

With the belief that safe, stable housing is critical to the health and wellness of a community, MaineHousing’s Community Aging in Place Grant began in 2017 to provide low-cost, high impact home modifications. This program provides a progressive solution that addresses the housing and wellness issues of a growing segment of Maine residents.

The pilot program was modeled after Bath Housing’s Comfortably Home program, originally established in 2015 and based on the evidenced-based CAPABLE program from Johns Hopkins University. 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. These services enable recipients to continue living safely and comfortably at home.

PROGRAM COMPARISON

	2022	2023
# Partner Agencies	15	15
# Communities Served	275	232
# Households Served	149	216

Counties Served in 2022



Counties Served in 2023



County	# Households Served	
	2022	2023
Androscoggin	7	26
Aroostook	45	15
Cumberland	6	57
Franklin	51	17
Hancock	5	6
Kennebec	11	6
Lincoln	0	1
Oxford	0	8
Penobscot	29	31
Sagadahoc	21	8
Washington	8	0
York	3	41

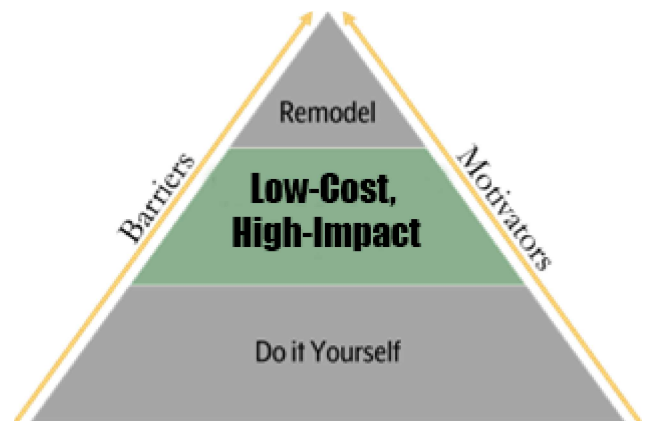
Low-Cost, High-Impact

The Community Aging in Place grant is a paid labor model that focuses on **Low-Cost, High-Impact** modifications.

Typical repairs/modifications:

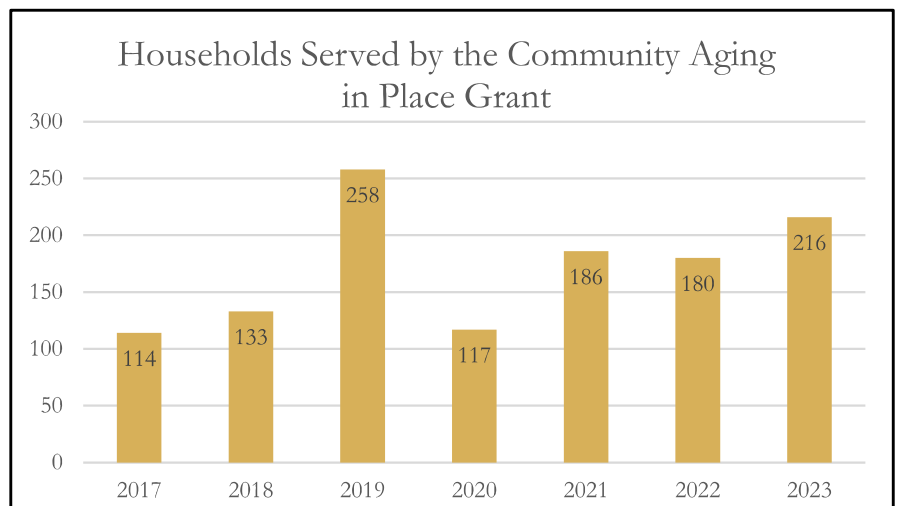
Grab bars	Hand rails	Rocker light switches
Shower wands	Steps	Lever-style faucets
Winterizing	Lighting	Shower seat

Home Modification Pyramid



Who is eligible for services?

- Homeowners or those who live in a home owned by a family member
- Are age 55+ or have a disability
- Have an annual household income of 100% or less of area median income (AMI)
- Live within the service area of our partners



Source: MaineHousing Administrative Data

Note: 2020 was the start of the COVID-19 pandemic and the State of Maine was closed most of the year.

Age & Income of Households:

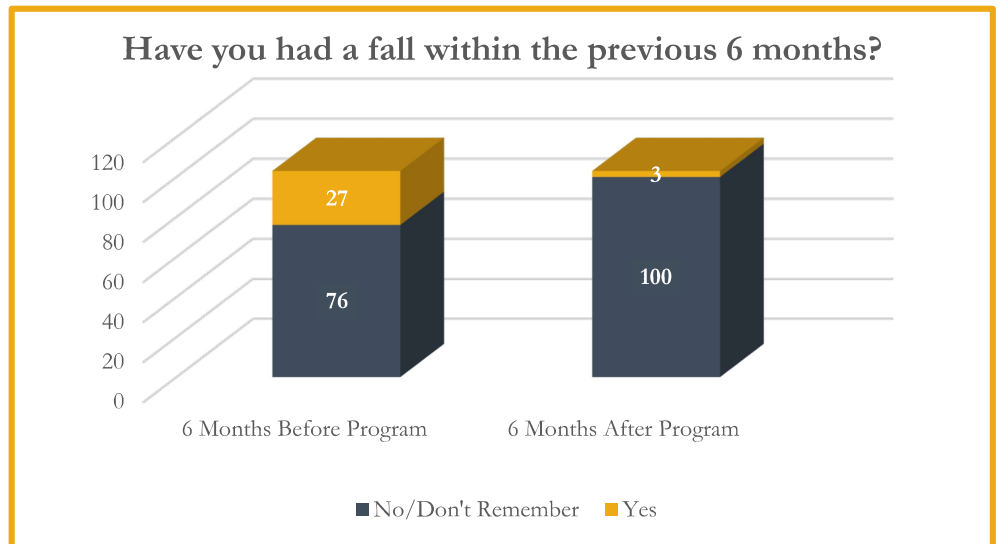
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Median Age	69	57
Median Income	\$16,912	\$16,380

Impact Areas — 2023 Program Year

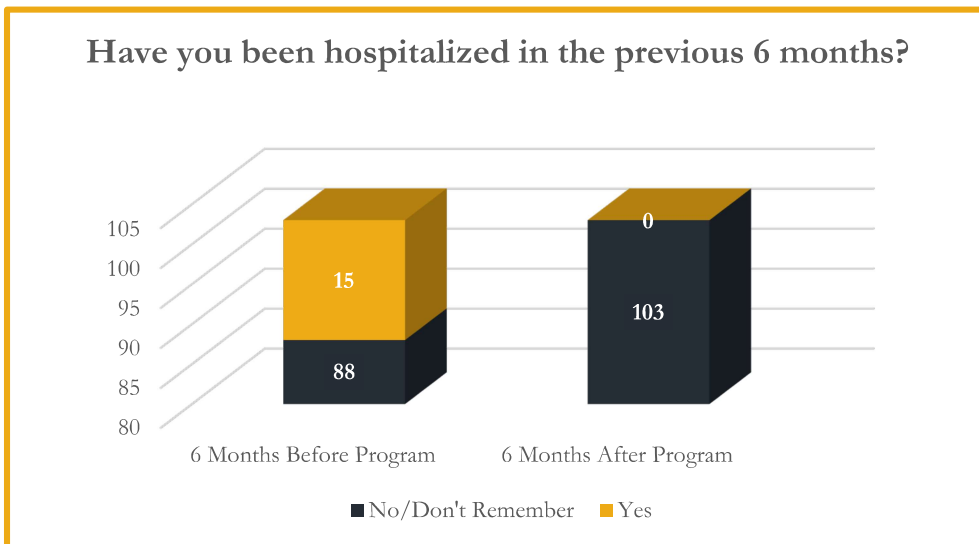
The Community Aging in Place Grant is having a positive impact on the lives of those who have participated in the program. Providing these low-cost, high-impact home safety modifications to older and disabled Mainers has resulted in a significant decline in self-reported falls and hospitalizations from a reduction in safety hazards in their homes.

Falls
Benchmark:
 To reduce the number and severity of falls related to home hazards by 20%

Results 2023 →



Source: MaineHousing Administrative Data



Source: MaineHousing administrative data.

Hospitalizations
Benchmark:
 To reduce the number of hospital visits and admissions related to home hazards by 15%

← Results 2023

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