



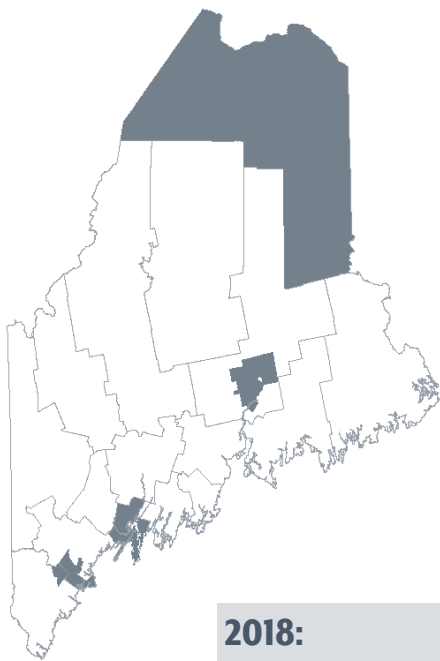
About the Community Aging in Place Grant

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, modeled after Bath Housing's Comfortably Home program, was 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.

In 2020 MaineHousing has set the goal of making the Community Aging in Place Grant available statewide.

Areas Served in 2018

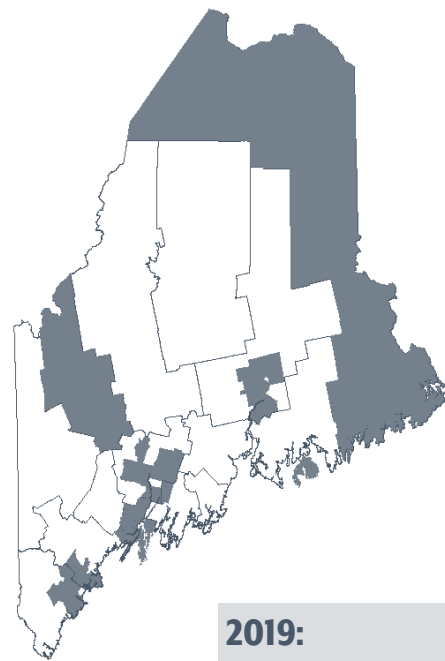


2018:

Partner Agencies: 6

Communities: 104

Areas Served in 2019



2019:

Partner Agencies: 10

Communities: 210

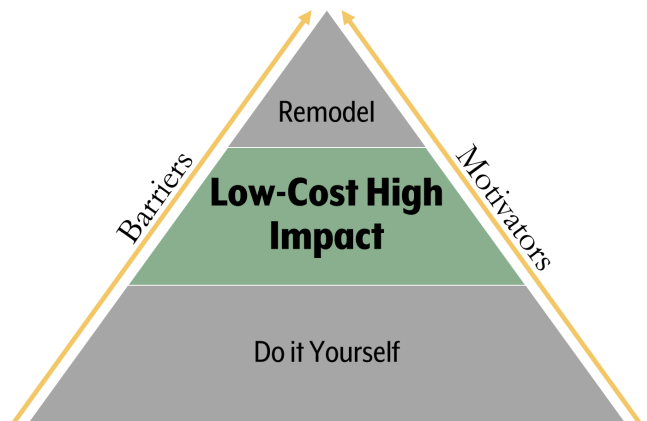
Low-Cost, High Impact

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

Examples of typical modifications:

Grab Bars	Hand rails	Rocker light switches
Shower Wands	Steps	Lever-style faucets
Winterizing	Lighting	Shower Seat

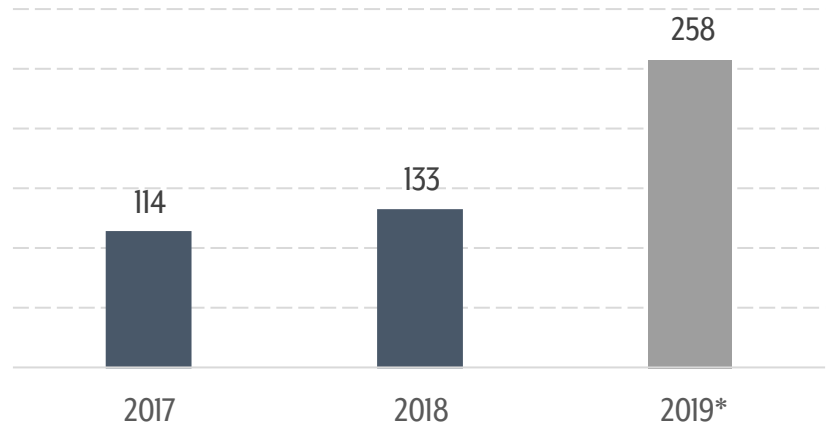
Home Modification Pyramid



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 80% or less of area median income (AMI)
- Live within the service area of our partners

Households Served by the Community Aging in Place Grant



Source: MaineHousing Administrative Data

Notes: 2019 Final Accounting Reports due to MaineHousing on March 27, 2019.

Age & Income of Households:

	2017	2018
Median Age	73	72
Median Income	\$18,480	\$18,792

What Community Aging in Place clients are saying:

"I feel much safer, especially with the recent fires on the news. You were so personable and did a good job. It's hard to find a repair person who is friendly and fixes things correctly."

"These repairs allow me to stay at home. I can't believe you're doing all this for me at no cost, this is going to allow me to stay at home."

Impact Areas – 2017 & 2018 Program Years

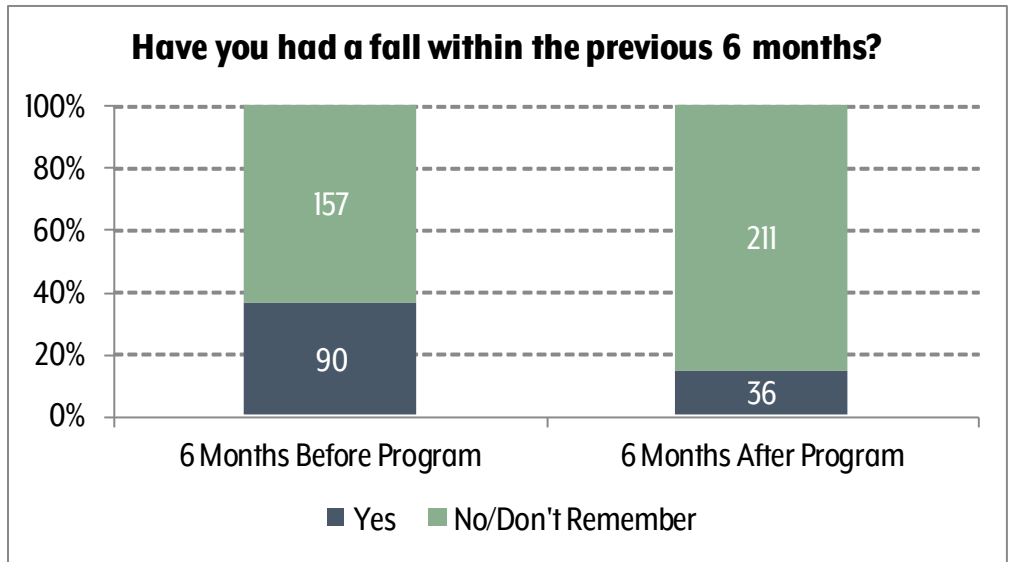
The Community Aging in Place Grant is having a positive impact on the lives of those who have participated in the program. Providing low-cost high-impact home safety modifications to older and disabled Mainers they are seeing a significant decline in self-reported falls and hospitalizations from a reduction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

Falls

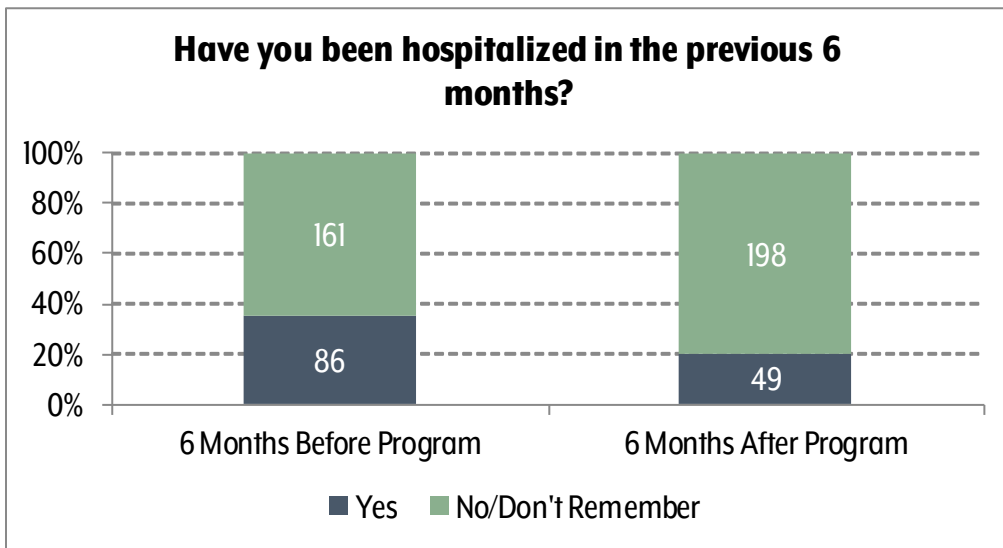
Benchmark:

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

Results 2017-2018:
60% Decline



Source: MaineHousing administrative data.



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Hospitalizations

Benchmark:

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

Results 2017-2018:
43% Decline

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