AGING IN PLACE
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

1,958

home repairs completed for adults age 65 and above

LEARNING EXCHANGES
7 exchanges held
140 local Habitats attended
60 $300 mini grants awarded to local Habitats that attended a learning exchange
$3,000 innovation grants raffled at each learning exchange

INNOVATION GRANTS

$10,000 Bucks County, PA to pilot an occupational therapist internship program that will support housing assessments and home safety training using the Home Fit Guide

$10,000 Metro Maryland, MD to partner with Montgomery County “village” networks and complete home repairs for older adults

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Habitat for Humanity’s focus with their Aging in Place (AIP) model is to provide the tools to allow older adults to live independently and continue to contribute to the community. With support from the AARP Foundation from 2015-2017, Habitat:

- Developed key components of their AIP initiative
- Collected AIP best practices and produce learning materials
- Collaborated with national organizations, local agencies and experts in Aging in Place
- Utilized housing tools developed by AARP Foundation
- Doubled the number of home repairs completed for older adults by local Habitats that attended a learning exchange

“At Habitat, we feel privileged to help seniors age in place. But we know this type of work is much more than a construction project – it requires being attentive to non-housing needs of the homeowner, and close partnerships with other organizations who serve seniors. We’re so grateful to AARP Foundation for their support as we have developed and launched our national aging in place initiative.”

–Sue Henderson, Vice President of US & Canada, Habitat for Humanity

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PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- **Learning Modules**: Based on analysis of the research, three learning modules were developed for local Habitats interested in Aging in Place. The modules included an overview of aging in America, ways Habitat can extend programming to better serve older adults, and funding opportunities available as Habitat develops a holistic model that combines housing with other services that support AIP.
- **Learning Exchanges**: Seven learning exchange conferences were held in cities across the nation. These meetings encouraged momentum building and networking about trends in the aging space, discussion of the role that Habitat can play, and identification of common goals with national and local partners.

ABOUT HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
Habitat for Humanity is a global nonprofit housing organization working to build strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter in partnership with people in need of a decent and affordable home.
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ABOUT AARP FOUNDATION
AARP Foundation works to ensure that low-income vulnerable older adults have nutritious food, affordable housing, a steady income, and strong and sustaining social bonds. We collaborate with individuals and organizations who share our commitment to innovation and our passion for problem-solving. Supported by vigorous legal advocacy, we create and advance effective solutions that help struggling older adults transform their lives. AARP Foundation is the charitable affiliate of AARP.

PRIOR SUCCESS WITH AARP FOUNDATION

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