



**COMMUNITY ACTION
PIONEER VALLEY
OLDER ADULT HOME
MODIFICATION PROGRAM**

Community Action Pioneer Valley is pleased to announce our Older Adult Home Modification Program (OAHMP), a new initiative designed for eligible **lower-income homeowners, age 62 and older, living in Franklin and Hampshire Counties** and looking to maintain independence and lead safe and productive lives in their homes.

Through this program, lower-income older adults can improve general home safety through **no-cost modifications that reduce the risk of falling**, increase accessibility, and improve the home's functional abilities.

If you currently receive Fuel Assistance and could benefit from the installation of grab bars, railings, temporary ramps, tub/shower transfer benches, raised toilet seats with handrails, and stair steps, please contact us!

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

**HOMEOWNER MUST LIVE IN
FRANKLIN OR HAMPSHIRE COUNTY,
OR IN**

PETERSHAM, PHILLIPSTON, ROYALSTON, OR ATHOL

HOMEOWNER MUST BE AGE 62 OR OLDER

**HOMEOWNER MUST MAKE INCOME GUIDELINE
(CHECK OUR WEBSITE OR CALL FOR MORE INFO)**

CONTACT US

413-774-2310 Option 4

homerepairs@communityaction.us

Community Action OAHMP

PO Box 1432

Greenfield, MA 01302

GROSS INCOME GUIDELINES

Number of people	Annual Income Limit
1	\$54,601
2	\$71,401
3	\$88,201
4	\$105,001
5	\$121,802
6	\$138,602
7	\$141,752

WHAT TO PROVIDE

This information is required for all household members regardless of age.

- * Proof of identity
- * Social Security numbers & birth dates
- * Proof of citizenship or qualified alien status
- * Homeowners: mortgage statement, real estate tax bill, homeowner's insurance bill
- * Renters: lease; subsidy verification if applicable
- * Hearing bill
- * Electric bill
- * Water and sewer bill
- * All income for the four weeks prior to the application.

Further verification may be requested after your application is reviewed.

Contact Us!

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Fuel Assistance Program

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HOW IT WORKS

The Older Adults Home Modification Program helps eligible homeowners age in place by making accessibility modifications to their homes.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- * You own your home in Franklin and Hampshire Counties or Athol, Petersham, Phillipston, or Royalston.
- * You are or someone in your home is 62 years or older.
- * You are living on low income.
- * You are at risk of moving to an assisted-living facility because you cannot live safely in your home.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Eligibility is based on the age and physical needs of people in your household and the total combined gross (before taxes) income of all persons residing in the household. You must be a Massachusetts homeowner living in Franklin or Hampshire Counties or Athol, Petersham, Phillipston, or Royalston.

# of People	Maximum Gross Income
1	\$54,601
2	\$71,401
3	\$88,201
4	\$105,001
5	\$121,802
6	\$138,602
7	\$141,752
8	\$144,902

WHERE & HOW TO APPLY

If you are a homeowner in Franklin or Hampshire Counties, you must apply through the fuel assistance program.

To apply, go online
www.communityaction.us/fuel-assistance or
call 413-774-2310 and choose option 1.

If you are already approved for fuel assistance for 2022, you will be contacted by CAPV.

If you live in Athol, Petersham, Phillipston or Royalston, please call for more information:
413-774-2310 or toll free 800-370-0940

TO RECEIVE SERVICES

If you meet the criteria for the program, we will attempt to contact you via telephone to complete a survey of your modification needs.

Eligibility for services is based on a prioritization scale. CAPV Older Adults Home Modification Program will conduct work on about 40 homes in 2022, with another 132 over the following two years. We can only serve the households with the highest needs at this time.

If you either move or leave your home, you must notify us immediately.
You can reach a Referral Specialist to learn more about our program at:

413-774-2310 Option 4

Or

homerepairs@communityaction.us

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS: WEATHERIZATION & HEATING SYSTEM REPAIR

If approved for Community Action's Fuel Assistance Program, you can also save money on your energy bills with these other Community Action programs:

Renters & Homeowners:

- * Receive discounts on your electric and natural gas bills. We will attempt to notify your utility company of your eligibility for the discount, but for faster enrollment, you can contact your utility company directly.

- * Energy efficiency audits offer possible benefits such as upgrading light bulbs, and possible replacement of inefficient appliances such as air conditioners, dehumidifiers, refrigerators, freezers, and washing machines.

- * Weatherization audits offer possible major improvements such as attic and wall insulation, and air sealing.

- * Homeowners only:
* We have funding to repair (and in some cases replace) your primary heating system in an emergency, often for free.

Contact us to find out more details on these energy-saving programs:

Energy Efficiency and Weatherization

413-376-1140

Heating System Repair

413-376-1115

energyprog@communityaction.us