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What is the Homeowner Repair Program for Seniors?

The Homeowner Repair Program for Seniors helps low-income seniors make minor adaptations to their homes to assist with activities of daily living. It is part of the federal and provincial strategy for the social and economic integration of persons with disabilities.

Who qualifies?

You may qualify for assistance if:

- You are 65 years of age or older;
- Your total household income is below the income limit for your area (The Department of Social Development can tell you the income limit for your area when you apply for assistance.);
- You have difficulty with daily living activities; and
- You are a homeowner or renter in the private market. If you are a renter, you will need written agreement from your landlord.

How does it work?

- A forgivable loan of up to \$5,000 is available, earned over seven years. The exact amount is based on the cost of materials and labour necessary to complete the required adaptations.

Examples of possible home adaptations

- Ramps to assist in entering and exiting your home.
- Handrails in hallways and stairways.
- Improved lighting for hallways.
- Easy-to-reach work and storage areas in the kitchen.
- Lever handles on doors.
- Bathtub grab bars and seats.

Please note: All adaptations should be permanent and fixed to the dwelling. If your home requires extensive modifications, such as wider doorways and increased space for wheelchair maneuvering, ask your regional office for information on the Housing Assistance for Persons with Disabilities program. Additional funding is available for modifications related to accessibility.

Do you have any questions?

If you have any questions about the Homeowner Repair Program for Seniors, contact your regional office of the Department of Social Development.



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