



Funding for the Rehabilitation of Older Homes & Affordable Housing for Seniors

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OUR WORK

- We are charged with **creating equitable growth and with taking care of the most vulnerable** through funding partnerships with eligible American states; territories, cities, counties and towns.
- Our constituents are Governors, County Executives, Mayors and City Managers and **most importantly, the people they serve.**
- We are the primary grant capital provider for these grant partners, **helping them grow and revitalize their community.**

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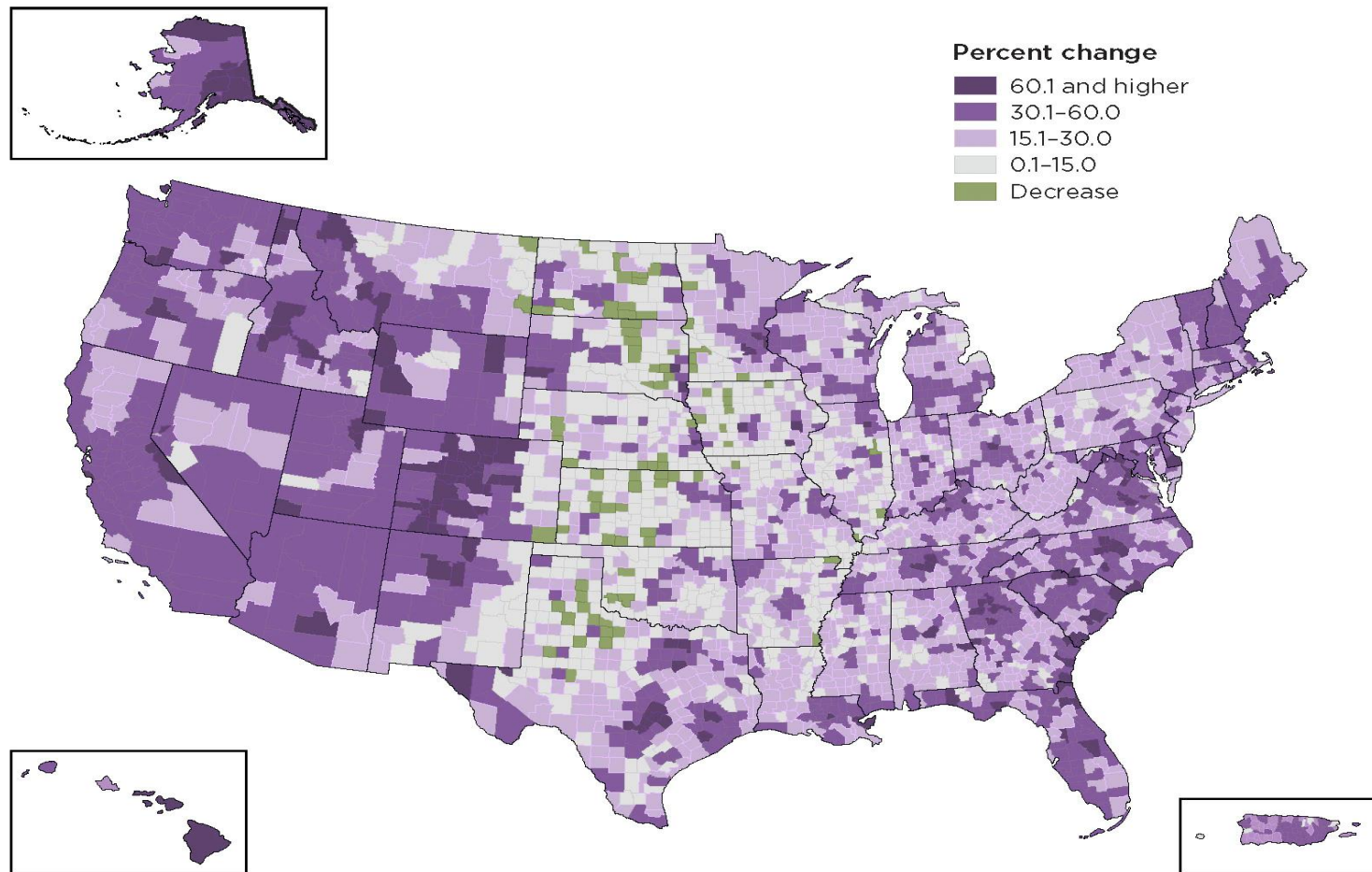


Population Demographic Changes

The number of Americans over 65 is expected to increase significantly over the next two decades

Older and Growing

Percent Change among the 65 and Older Population: 2010 to 2019



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Source: Vintage 2019 Population Estimates
www.census.gov/programs-surveys/popest.html

For many older Americans, their current homes do not meet their changing needs.

Challenges Include:

- Affordability
- Cost of Home Repairs and Maintenance
- Mobility / Accessibility
- Isolation from Friends, Family, Community
- Lack of Nearby Services: Health Care
- Lack of Nearby Amenities: Public Transportation, Healthy Food Options



- **44% of households need some type of accessibility modification**
- Less than 4% of homes have the modifications necessary for people with moderate mobility disabilities
- Less than 1% of homes are wheelchair accessible

Grants can be used for modifications to homes or to create new accessible units.

Accessibility & Mobility Modifications



Grant Program: HOME Investment Partnership

HOME is the largest federal block grant program designed exclusively to create and to preserve affordable housing for low-income households – including older Americans.

Provides formula grants to states and local governments that are used, often in partnership with nonprofit organizations, to fund eligible activities including:

- **Building, buying, and/or rehabilitating affordable housing for rent or homeownership**
- **Providing direct rental assistance to low-income people.**



Since the first year of the program in 1992, HOME funds have been used to:

- Rehabilitate 257,000 owner-occupied units
- More than 42% of those units are occupied by seniors
- Create 535,000 rental units
- More than 30% of those units are occupied by seniors

Impact: HOME Investment Partnerships





Pictured below:

\$818,000 of HOME funds were used to build six new solar-powered rental units for seniors in a very rural community in Alaska.

Pictured above:

HOME and other federal funds were used to convert a historic church into 53 units of housing for seniors in Delaware



Grant Program: Community Development Block Grants

Community Development Block Grants are a federal block grant program, providing funding to states, cities, urban counties, and territories for a wide variety of eligible uses.

Eligible uses that benefit older Americans include:

- Repair, rehabilitation, and reconstruction of owner-occupied units
- Acquisition and/or rehabilitation of a property for rental housing
- Construction of public facilities, such as neighborhood centers
- Public services such as food services, transportation services, mobile clinics
- Accessibility/mobility improvements to housing



In the past two years alone, grants have been used to:

Fund senior centers

- Benefiting 500,000 individuals in 2019
- Benefiting another 216,000 individuals in 2020

Provide public services

- Benefiting 691,000 seniors in 2019
- Benefiting another 515,000 seniors in 2020.

Impact: Community Development Block Grants





Pictured above:

Senior Center in Kirby, Texas which was built using \$250,000 of grant funds. This small-town facility also provides transportation services for seniors to visit the center, for doctors' appointments, and for grocery shopping

Pictured below:

This Senior Center in Manatee County, Florida was constructed with block grant funds. This facility was designed to provide services and meal distribution to seniors. It is also an emergency evacuation and assistance center that can provide shelter, cooling, and food during a climate event.





Thank you!