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## Home Repairs Program

**GOAL:** To empower seniors with limited means who wish to age in their homes by providing necessary repairs to make their homes safer, warmer, and drier at no cost.

**PURPOSE:** To organize skilled volunteers, plan projects, provide materials, and complete repairs or improvements at no cost to eligible seniors so that they may safely remain in their homes.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- The Rotary Home Repair Program is partnering with Freeport Community Services' "Aging Friendly Freeport/Pownal," a community-led consortium of organizations collaborating to foster initiatives that help people thrive while aging as well as with local police, fire, EMT, and the towns of Pownal and Durham.
- Like other Maine communities statewide, Freeport Rotary has established a home repair team to support seniors who wish to remain in their homes but cannot do repair work themselves or to pay for modifications needed to make their homes safe, warm, and dry. Freeport Rotary's Home Repair Program is modeled after those supported by the Maine Council on Aging and the many Habitats for Humanity affiliates throughout the State.
- Project examples include constructing ramps, repairing steps and decks, winterizing homes, and installing grab bars and smoke detectors.

Others who may be eligible for repairs in particular instances are low-income disabled individuals or veterans.

We seek projects, donations, materials, tools, and volunteers to assist in this initiative. Volunteers with knowledge and experience in the building trades and those with handyman skills are particularly needed, but everyone is welcome.

To volunteer, recommend a project or to obtain more information, call or email:

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David with a New Set of Stairs in Pownal



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- This is our current list of needed items.

8 Sheets of 3/4" CDX Plywood	3 sets of sawhorses
Wheel chocks for trailer wheels	3- 2' x 4' x 3/4" plywood boards
Portable table saw with stand	2- 6' stepladders
Portable miter/chop saw with stand	4' stepladder
Circular saw, 7 1/2 inch	Combination stepladder
2 reciprocating/demolition saws, cordless	Electrical Romex wire stripper
2 oscillating saws and blades, cordless	Hacksaw for metal and various pitch blades
Extendable 4" brush for cleaning dryer hose	3 carpenters hammers
Angle grinder and discs	Four pairs of safety glasses
Belt sander and various grit belts	4 Combination screwdrivers
At least 4 cordless impact drills	Two Utility knives and blades
At least 4 cordless non-impact drills	Electrical volt/amp meter
2 cordless LED work lights	2 measuring tapes, 16 foot
Stud finder with extra batteries	Bench vise, 4-inch
Miscellaneous supplies (duct tape, painters tape, Teflon tape, machine oil, wood glue, super glue, plumbers putty, PVC glue and cleaner, caulking, cable staples, wire nuts, wire ties, electrical tape, sandpaper, contractor trash bags, paper towels, sun screen, hand disinfectant, insect repellent, eye wash, OSHA posters, team roster with emergency contacts posted, etc.)	<b><u>Safety Equipment:</u></b> Fire extinguisher First aid kit Four sets of hearing protectors Large package of disposable N95 respirators Two sets of knee pads