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INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP (SHIP) PROGRAM



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# Barrier Removal Program

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## WHAT IS THE BARRIER REMOVAL PROGRAM?

A program designed to provide financial assistance to eligible homeowners to make modifications to their home to allow them to live independently. Eligible homeowners can receive up to \$15,000 in financial assistance for home improvements.

### ELIGIBLE IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDE:

- Installing wheel chair ramps
- Widening doorways
- Installing accessible door handles
- Modifying bathrooms
- Installing accessible cabinets
- Installing buzzing or flashing devices

## WHAT ARE THE LOAN TERMS?

The first \$3,000 in assistance is a grant that does not have to be repaid. If the improvements cost more than \$3,000, the homeowner can borrow an additional \$12,000 at a 0% interest rate with no monthly payments. If the homeowner continues to live in the home, \$3,000 of that loan will be forgiven each year and the loan is totally forgiven in four years.

## WHAT ARE THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS?

- An adult living in the home who requires independent living services in order to remain in the home and has a disabling condition OR an adult who receives Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Veterans Disability Payments.
- The applicant must be owner of the home and the home must be their primary residence.
- The total household income must not exceed the income limits shown on the adjacent table
- The home must be located in Sarasota County.
- The current value of the home must be less than \$272,195 as determined by the Sarasota Property Appraiser.

## HOW CAN I APPLY FOR THE PROGRAM?

Contact the Sarasota Office of Housing and Community Development at 941-263-6423.

## INCOME LIMITS FOR THE PROGRAM

The chart below lists maximum eligible gross incomes by household size:

<u>Household Size</u>	<u>Maximum Income</u>
1	\$43,250
2	\$49,400
3	\$55,600
4	\$61,750
5	\$66,700
6	\$71,650
7	\$76,600
8	\$81,550
9	\$86,464
10	\$91,405

Income limits effective April 1, 2021

Income limits may change, please call for the latest information.



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