



The HBF enhances the quality of life for its recipients and helps them remain in their own home with dignity and independence. While each modification is different for every recipient, the results are the same - each individual has the opportunity to live their life to the fullest. This not only impacts the recipient's family, but also the entire community.

The Home Builders Foundation serves residents in the 8-county Denver metro area in need of accessibility solutions with its home modification program. The HBF completes the changes at no cost to the recipient and relies on its network of volunteers and supporters for in-kind contributions and donations. Since our founding in 1993, we've helped over 1,600 individuals and their networks of care, and our reach is growing. For example, between 2009 and 2011, the HBF completed a combined 70 projects. The initial beneficiaries were victims of crime or circumstance and projects ranged from painting to repairs to additions on the home. Some of the early recipients included victims of the Columbine High School shootings in 1999. In the past three years, however, the HBF averaged 79 projects per year. Based on this demand, we anticipate that this number will continue to grow in 2019.

Beyond allowing the recipient to maneuver in and out of their home, these modifications allow the recipient to access life outside their home and participate in their community. For example, they can more easily attend doctor's appointments, participate in a faith community, and work. Modifications also help recipients stay in their home instead of being moved to costly managed care. The benefits of these accessible home modifications extend to the recipient's family, their network of care, other organizations aiding, and the community where the recipient resides.

The HBF serves recipients that have disabilities for a wide range of reasons. The HBF helps children, adults and senior citizens; men and women; military veterans; those with congenital or long-term disabilities such as multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy and spina bifida; those who have suffered a traumatic brain or spinal cord injury and are now paralyzed and many more unique situations requiring an accessibility solution.

All modification projects are completed by the HBF's committed pool of skilled and unskilled volunteers and valued contract partners who can often complete our home modification projects at a significantly discounted rate. Due to these strong partnerships, for every \$1.00 we grant towards a project, we've calculated that it averages a yield of \$7.50 in retail value.

We're grateful for the opportunity to present the HBF and appreciate your consideration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 303-551-6722 or lknudsen@hbfdenver.org.