The Phelps Community Project
Providing Short-term or Emergency Support to Hamden’s Older Adults

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What is the Phelps Community Project?

The Phelps Community Project is administered by Hamden Elderly Services to promote healthy aging in the Hamden community. The Project provides helpful information, support services, referrals to area agencies for healthcare services and financial assistance to Hamden residents age 60 and older (approximately 21% of Hamden’s population). The Project is made possible through a grant from the John P. and Cora E. Phelps Fund at The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven.

Who can benefit from the Phelps Community Project?

Hamden residents, aged 60 or older, who are living with very limited income or experiencing a financial, physical or emotional crisis.

What kind of services does the Phelps Community Project offer?

In addition to providing helpful information and referrals to area agencies for healthcare services, the Phelps Community Project provides support services and financial assistance to eligible Hamden residents. Each resident is assessed to determine eligibility for assistance.
Support services include, but are not limited to:
• Referrals to housing
• Intake for energy assistance
• Rent rebate
• SNAP (supplemental nutrition assistance program) enrollment
• Medicare Savings Program
• Physical and educational classes

Short-term financial assistance is available in emergency situations, such as:
• Hearing aid repair
• New glasses
• Medical equipment
• Utilities
• Housing emergency repairs
• Dental bills
• Installation of a personal emergency response system
• Respite home care
• Medications

How can I receive assistance from the Phelps Community Project?

Visit Hamden Elderly Services at the Miller Senior Center located at 2901 Dixwell Avenue or contact Elderly Services at 203-287-2547 or the Elderly Outreach Office at 203-287-2691.
The John P. and Cora E. Phelps Fund

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To learn more:

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