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### **DHS awards 12 Community Service/Community Development grants**

Projects designed to help thousands of older adults in counties across Minnesota have been awarded a total of \$1.5 million in Minnesota Department of Human Services Community Service/Services Development Grants.

Among the 12 grants awarded through the program are funds to support the Central Todd County Care Center's creation of a homecare agency. In Hennepin County, a grant to the Ebenezer Minneapolis campus will provide resources to deliver 24-hour assisted living. In Dodge County the Kenyon Sunset Home, in collaboration with Faith in Action, will build supports to provide community living for at-risk persons and their family caregivers.

"The 12 grant recipients show a high level of creativity as well as concern for people in their communities who need services," said Loren Colman, assistant commissioner, DHS Continuing Care Administration.

Community Service and Community Services Development Grants provide venture capital to help rebalance Minnesota's long-term care support service delivery system and increase its ability to help people age 65 and over stay in their own homes and communities. The program's goals include improving chronic disease management, expanding long-term support capacity by linking formal and informal long-term care support services and providing support to caregivers and promoting independence for older adults. More than 300 projects throughout Minnesota have been funded since the program was started in 2001.

The grant recipients and their county locations are as follows:

Central Todd County Care Center	Todd
DARTS	Dakota
Ebenezer Loren on Park	Hennepin
Jewish Family Services of St. Paul	Ramsey
Kenyon Sunset Home	Dodge, Goodhue and Rice
Mahube Community Council, Inc.	Becker, Hubbard and Mahnomen
Neighborhood Involvement Program	Hennepin
North Shore Health Care Foundation	Cook
Northwoods Caregivers	Beltrami
Pioneer Retirement Community	Becker, Clay, Grant, Otter Tail, Wilkin

Saint Elizabeth's Medical Center  
The Lutheran Home Association

Wabasha  
Brown, Carver, Nicollet, Scott, Sibley

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