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## Program Descriptions

## Community and Home Injury Prevention Project for Seniors San Francisco Department of Public Health, San Francisco, CA

### COMMUNITY & HOME INJURY PREVENTION PROJECT FOR SENIORS



A PROJECT OF THE SAN FRANCISCO  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
*Bureau of Health Promotion and Education, Senior Programs*

### CHIPPS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Administration on Aging Regional Office
- American Association of Retired Persons
- Bank of America
- Bayview Hunters Point Network for Elders
- Centro Latino de San Francisco, Inc.
- Christmas in April Foundation - San Francisco
- Housing Conservation & Development Corp.
- Independent Housing Service
- Independent Living Resource Center
- In-Home Support Services Consortium
- Institute for Health & Aging, U.C.S.F.
- Kaiser Permanente
- Living-At-Home
- On Lok
- Pacific Bell
- P.G. & E.
- Public Utility Commissioner
- Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)
- San Francisco Association of Residential Care Homes
- San Francisco Bay Area Regional Poison Control Center
- San Francisco Building and Construction Trades Council
- San Francisco Chamber of Commerce
- San Francisco Commission on the Aging
- San Francisco Conservation Corps
- San Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board
- San Francisco Fire Department
- San Francisco Medical Society
- San Francisco Mission YMCA
- S.F. Department of Health
- S.F. Department of Public Works
- San Francisco SAFE, Inc.
- Self-Help for the Elderly
- Thirtieth Street Senior Center
- Trauma Foundation
- U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission
- United Way
- Western Addition Senior Citizen's Center Inc.

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**accident** n.1. a happening that is not expected, foreseen, or intended 2. an unpleasant and unintended happening 3. fortune; chance  
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**I** NJURIES CAN BE PREVENTED. People often think that falling and injuries such as a broken hip happen by chance. For those over age 60, such events are seen as an inevitable consequence of aging.

Falls, burns, and scalds do pose special problem to older people, but we believe it is possible to prevent such injuries. This means **INJURIES ARE NO ACCIDENT!** CHIPPS is helping older people avoid these problems at home and in the community.



The goal of the CHIPPS program is to:

- ▲ Create awareness that many injuries to older people can be prevented.
  - ▲ Develop simple ways to recognize and correct injury hazards.
  - ▲ Provide resources and information to health professionals and the public.
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**S**ERVICES OFFERED BY CHIPPS



- ▲ HOME SAFETY information and self-assessment guides.
- ▲ HOME SAFETY EQUIPMENT and HOME REPAIR REFERRALS.
- ▲ ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING SAFETY PRODUCTS AND SERVICES
- ▲ FREE PERSONAL MEDICATION COUNSELLING by a clinical pharmacist through the Health Department SRx Program.
- ▲ REFERRAL TO HEALTH PROVIDERS & COMMUNITY PROGRAMS appropriate for seniors
- ▲ ADVOCACY FOR CHANGE which will reduce injury hazards in the public areas of San Francisco.
- ▲ EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS conducted for seniors, service providers and the community at large.