

**PROJECT NAME:** Catholic Charities-Caring Community Resource Centers' Community Innovation for Aging in Place Program  
**PROJECT LEAD:** Nancy Twillman, M.S.T.-E, MSW  
**TIMELINE:** 3 years Sept. 2009-Sept. 2012  
**CONTENT AREA:** Aging, Adults aging in place, Community-based services

**FUNDER:** Administration on Aging at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
**CLIENT:** Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph, Inc.

**AUDIENCE:** Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph, Inc., Aging in Place Leadership Council, Caring Community Resource Center staff, Christ the King Senior Center, Northeast Senior Center, Seton Center, St. Louis Center, Palmer Senior Center, Ray County Senior Center

**METHODOLOGY:** Mixed methods (qualitative and quantitative)  
Technical Assistance  
Community Innovations for Aging in Place provides health and social/educational services for helping older adults aging in place and their caregivers, within familiar environs-existing senior centers (five urban and one rural) in the Kansas City metropolitan area. Caring Communities Resource Centers provide mobile, one-stop access to health and social services in neighborhood communities with activities that promote aging in place and successful care giving. This includes:

**OVERVIEW:**

- assessments and care plans provided by a geriatric social worker,
- health screenings and education,
- chronic disease self-management,
- mental health counseling in group and individual sessions,
- transportation, and
- support for caregivers.

RDI provides technical assistance in review and design of evaluation methods and surveys, conducts focus groups with key informants, creates databases, and analyzes data. Semi-annual evaluation reports encompass the outcomes and process evaluations.

Administration on Aging: Community Innovations for Aging in Place:

[http://www.aoa.gov/AoARoot/AoA\\_Programs/HCLTC/CIAIP/Index.aspx](http://www.aoa.gov/AoARoot/AoA_Programs/HCLTC/CIAIP/Index.aspx)

**LINKS:**

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