

David A. Green Memorial Fund
For
Advancing the Humanization
Of
Elder Environments

Introduction:

David Green, a monumental force and radical visionary, revolutionized the way we think, feel, operate, and design environments for older adults. He is credited with developing the first households in long-term care within the United States based upon innovative approaches for memory care as well as the foundation established by OBRA '87. To honor David's vision and continue this important work, a grant named the *David A. Green Memorial Fund* has been established to encourage, inspire, recognize and subsidize the innovative projects and actions of providers, researchers, and designers that may radically improve the lives and environments of older adults.

Administration:

Because David was one of the founding members of SAGE, and was instrumental in creating the major principals that guide it today, the Society for the Advancement of Gerontological Environments (SAGE) is the administrator of the grant. Recipients of the accepted proposal or project will be announced and honored at the annual Environments for Aging Conference.

Criteria:

Submissions may be either a proposed project or activity or one that has already been implemented that should be further disseminated and documented.

Proposals should exemplify one or more of the following SAGE principals and values related to gerontological environments:

- Communities and relationships: Generate opportunities for meaningful interactions and relationships among peers, families and staff.
- Environment as a therapeutic resource: Utilize all aspects of the environment (physical, programmatic and organizational) as a resource for healing and improved functioning.
- Holism and well-being: Focus on needs and desires of the whole person social, emotional, spiritual and physical, vocational and intellectual.
- Individual rights and personal autonomy: Maximize available choices, opportunities for self determination, and accessibility of options.
- Support of caregivers: Create an environment that promotes safety, efficiency, and emotional support.
- Creating and evaluating: Encourage innovation, diversity of approaches, experimentation with new solutions, and systematic evaluation of outcomes.

- Function enhancing technology: Harness new technology to increase functionality of the environment.
- Physical safety and psychological security: Provide appropriate safe guards and enhance perception of security.

For more information regarding the SAGE vision, please visit www.sagefederation.org.

Entry Instructions:

On the attached application, please provide a written description of your proposal or project that adequately describes the actions and outcomes to be achieved. Your proposal or project may include photographs, sketches, plans or other information that you believe will be helpful in assisting the review committee to understand how this project will improve or has improved environments in which older adults are living.

The proposal or project should provide a way to measure and record these improvements in the environment for older adults so that it may be fairly judged and possibly repeated and/or replicated in other locations.

For the year 2015 the grant will be a total of \$500.00. It will be divided into two equal amounts. The first half will be awarded to the grantee upon selection of the grant. The second half will be awarded upon completion and submission of a completed report of the project. The deadline for applications is April 10, 2015 and the winner will be announced at the Environments for Aging Conference in Baltimore. For questions concerning this application please call 850-567-3303.

Send completed application form and supporting documents to:

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Fund Longevity:

This is a perpetual fund that continues to grow through the generous contributions from the many supporters of David Green's vision. We hope that each year the amount awarded will increase with the growth of additional contribution.

Contributions to the David Green Memorial Fund are being accepted at: <http://wumf.org/>