## **Texas Ramp Project**

Our organization is statewide, but our work is local. Our teams work in neighborhoods from Texarkana to El Paso, Amarillo to McAllen. We receive about twice as many referrals each year as we can build.

The Texas Ramp Project really started over 38 years ago as a small Dallas-area program. The Dallas model was incorporated in 2006 and began expanding to other areas of the state. Over the years our volunteers have built more than 24,000 ramps. These ramps, if laid end-to-end, would extend for 122 miles.

Because we use all-volunteer labor, our largest cost is in lumber and materials. Funding comes from foundations, churches, service clubs, health care agencies, corporate sponsors and individual donors. Our success in any area depends on collaboration with local partners.

Our vision is that no Texas resident should lack safe access because of financial limitations.





- Visit our website for videos and build locations. www.texasramps.org
- Submit a referral on our website. You must be a health care provider or social worker. Referrals from individuals or families are not accepted. https://www.texasramps.org/requesting-a-ramp
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## **Stepping Up**



Most of us take for granted the few steps at our front door. But for people who use a wheelchair or walker, those few steps can turn a home into a prison.

The Texas Ramp Project's mission is to build wheelchair ramps for those who find their steps a barrier. Almost every day our volunteers somewhere in the state are building a ramp for an elderly or disabled person who needs one.

Our ramps allow recipients to leave their home safely and independently, especially if there is a fire or other emergency. They provide relief to families and caregivers, and they allow people to remain at home, aging in place surrounded by those who love them.



No one anticipates needing a ramp. It can arise from a progressive illness like diabetes, an acute event like a stroke, or a traumatic injury due to an accident.

An estimated 1.6 million Texans have a physical disability that makes it difficult for them to walk. Local Ramp Projects work with state agencies, rehab centers, health care companies, and other providers to identify low-income individuals who need a ramp.

Age, gender, religion, race and ethnicity are never a concern. Our ramps are for anyone who needs one.





Those who serve with a local Ramp Project team often say it's the best volunteer work they've ever done. Why? It's the joy and satisfaction of literally transforming a person's life in a single day.

When a referral is accepted, a volunteer surveys the site and designs the ramp. Then a trained team leader and volunteer crew come together to build it. Within a few hours, the client is no longer homebound.

Volunteers come from all walks of life. No experience is required—just willing hands and a servant's heart.