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## At Home By High Launches to Serve Aging Adults in Columbus

Columbus, Ohio (November 14, 2017) – At Home By High (AHBH), a new non-profit officially launches to serve the needs of adults ages 50+ in central Columbus. The mission of At Home By High is to offer support, connectedness, and enable independence for aging residents in the areas of The Circles, Dennison Place, Harrison West, Italian Village, Milo-Grogan, Victorian Village, University District, and Weinland Park. Previous to inception, there were only two villages in the Columbus area – Village Connections and Village in the Ville. Katie Beaumont, Executive Director of At Home By High identified the gap between these two service areas and immediately took action to fill the void.

"For being arguably the most age-friendly neighborhoods in the city, At Home By High noticed a gap in services specifically for adults ages 50+ at home and socially. We have our neighborhood associations and societies but not a support network or avenue to help our neighbors at home when in need. The national "village" model connects neighbors in need with neighbors that would like to volunteer," explained Katie Beaumont.

In June 2017, At Home By High launched its community survey. Initial survey results found that more than half of those surveyed (67 percent) indicated that they would find one or more home services helpful for remaining independent in their homes.

"Our hope is to be a catalyst for neighbors to form lasting friendships to make our community stronger and more connected. Our goal is to expand our reach to all ages. Whether it's getting groceries when you're sick; mowing your lawn when you're recovering from surgery; or providing transportation to and from doctor's appointments; we could all use help when family and friends are unavailable." added Katie Beaumont.

Currently, AHBH operates solely with the help of volunteers in the neighborhood and through its initial funding from Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging. AHBH is actively looking for additional executive members, volunteers, and corporate sponsors to help bolster the operation. The goal of the non-profit is to reach and provide services for all ages.

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## **About At Home By High**

At Home By High was created by neighbors to provide services driven by neighborhood volunteers, host social and educational events, and refer members to existing community aid and vetted businesses. At Home By High serves adults in the center of Columbus, specifically, The Circles, Dennison Place, Harrison West, Italian Village, Milo-Grogan, Victorian Village, University District, and Weinland Park. The organization is a part of the Village to Village Network which allows members to gain access to resources, planned events and connect with other villages for additional support. For more information on volunteer opportunities and our full community survey report, please visit <a href="https://www.athomebyhigh.org">www.athomebyhigh.org</a>.