



Outreach to General Public
Seattle Project Impact – Home Retrofit
Seattle Emergency Management

Seattle Project Impact, a public/private partnership, created the ***Home Retrofit*** program to address the area’s regional exposure to seismic hazards, particularly with regard to wood-frame houses. The ***Home Retrofit*** partners consisted of building officials, architects, contractors, volunteers, plans examiners, and engineers, from around the region to create a local solution. This solution includes pre-engineered plansets and guidelines, an expedited permit process, training for homeowners, professional training on these new standards for buildings and contractors, financial incentives, and continued education about our earthquake risk.

As with all programs created by Seattle Project Impact, sustainability was built into the design, as was the exportability to other jurisdictions facing a similar threat. ***Home Retrofit*** has expanded beyond the City limits to include 10 jurisdictions in Washington and this extended program is known as ***Regional Home Retrofit***.