

The 2017 Best of 55+ Housing Awards

An enthusiastic crowd came to applaud the winners of the [2017 Best of 55+ Housing Awards](#) at the NAHB [International Builders' Show](#) in January. Photos of the winners of the 41 Gold, 31 Silver and 3 Innovation awards were projected on the big screen as Susie Proffitt, host of [Atlanta's Best New Home TV](#) program, announced the honorees in each category.

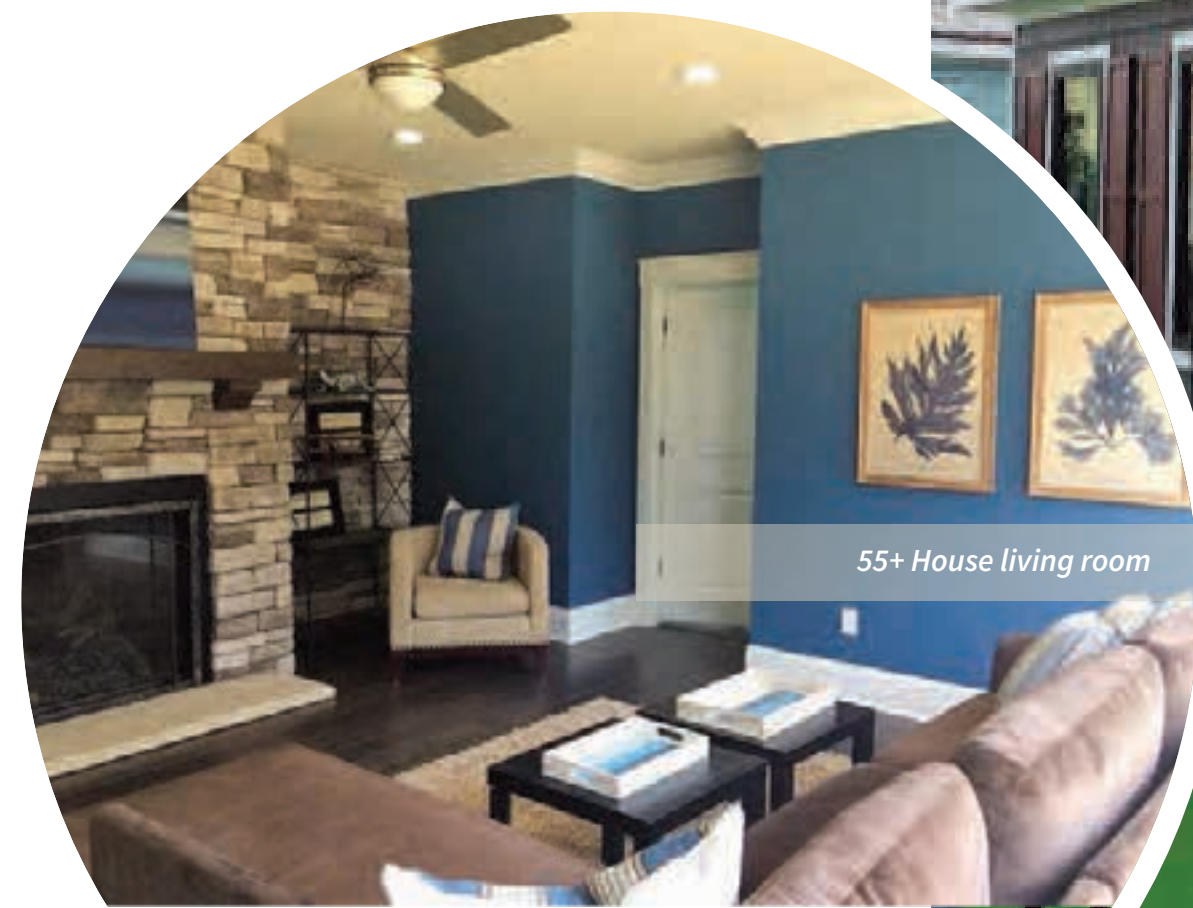
The Summer issue of the 55+ Housing Online magazine will take a closer look at the 2017 Best of 55+ Housing Community of the Year – [Renaissance Luxury Living at Sun Lakes](#), a Robson Community. A gallery of photos and descriptions are available at [nahb55Plusawards](#).

And it's time to get ready for next year's awards – the online entry process opens May 15. Apply to enter here.

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The 55+ House at Professional Builder Magazine's Show Village

A 55+ house built on a parking lot? That happened in Orlando – and 8,671 attendees at NAHB's 2017 International Builders' Show toured it as one of the collection of [Show Village](#) homes. The house was originally designed for [Jim Chapman Communities](#) in Atlanta, where it was a customer favorite. The modular builders at [Nationwide Modular Homes](#) turned Chapman's floor plan into modules that could easily be put together on the parking lot behind the Orange County Convention Center to demonstrate the features that 55+ customers find attractive.



55+ House living room



IBS attendee captures the home's exterior details

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The **Best of 55+ Housing Awards** are the industry's only national awards program honoring excellence in building design, marketing and lifestyle in housing for the mature adult, as well as individual successes by builder or associate 55+ Council members. The 2018 awards feature new categories and reduced submission fees – there's never been a better time to enter!

Midyear Meeting

Come to NAHB's [Midyear membership and Board meeting](#) in Washington, D.C. June 13-17. Members can participate in the all-day [Legislative Conference](#), a chance to let your elected representatives on Capitol Hill know what's important to you from the housing perspective.

On June 16, meet with the [55+ Housing Industry Council](#) from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the council's Board of Directors meeting. All are welcome to attend.



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But the 55+ House story didn't end there. After the show, the builders took apart the modules that made up the house, loaded them onto trucks and sent them off to Atlanta. Once they arrived, Chapman donated the house to a group that worked with [HomeAid Atlanta](#), the designated charity for the [Greater Atlanta Home Builders Association](#). That group, [Family Promise of Hall County](#), helps homeless families find stability by providing them with housing for 90 days while the family – supported by Family Promise – receives information and support that will help them attain financial independence.



Family Promise raised \$100,000 to transport and rebuild the home, which could have been sold for \$300,000 in that market. "I am honored to be a part of the solution to help homeless children and their families regain stability in their lives," said Chapman (far right) speaking on March 10 at the ribbon-cutting ceremony. *(above)*