



HOMESHARE KOOTENAI COUNTY

aims to increase the availability and affordability of housing in Kootenai County by connecting home providers with home seekers. Homesharing is a mutually beneficial arrangement: Providing extra income for one party and affordable housing for the other.

Homesharing is a viable option for a wide range of individuals of all ages. HomeShare Kootenai County will process applications from both home providers and home seekers, screen applicants, and facilitate matches.



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HomeShare Kootenai County is a 501(c)3 nonprofit serving communities in Kootenai County, Idaho.

"Homesharing enables two or more unrelated people to share housing for their mutual benefit. Every homesharing arrangement is unique. It's about people helping people."

- National Shared Housing Resource Center



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Is Homesharing Right For Me?

Homesharing is a mutually beneficial arrangement where two or more unrelated individuals share housing.

A *HOME PROVIDER* offers a private room to a *HOME SEEKER* in exchange for monthly rent, assistance around the house, or a combination of both.



What type of home can be shared?

Houses, apartments, condominiums, and even mobile homes can be shared. Home Providers agree to provide a private room and share common space with a Home Seeker.

Are Home Providers and Home Seekers screened and vetted?

HomeShare Kootenai County will screen applicants and conduct background checks on both Home Providers and Home Seekers.

Who determines the price of rent?

Home Providers determine the rental amount and specify other terms of the rental agreement, including any work provided in lieu of rent. Each homesharing arrangement is unique.

Potential Home Providers:

- Empty nesters who aren't used to a quiet house.
- Snowbirds who need a reliable housesitter.
- Senior couples who enjoy company of any age.
- Elderly who would welcome some extra help and security of having a house mate.
- Singles who could use a few extra dollars each month.
- Traveling workers or retirees.
- A recently divorced or widowed person who is transitioning.

Potential Home Seekers:

- Hospitality workers who move seasonally.
- Empty nesters wanting to downsize or eliminate household maintenance responsibilities.
- Teachers or professors who only need housing for 9 months out of the year.
- Traveling nurses who rotate to other towns.
- College students who only need housing while school is in session.
- Young adults saving for a future home purchase.



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