

## Meet Home & Heart

Our mission is to increase the stock of affordable housing options, support older adults to age in place, and decrease isolation through intergenerational connections. We support that mission by facilitating matches between home owners (people with an extra room) and home seekers (those looking for a home) to find you the perfect housemate.



## Why home share?

- More affordable housing options
- Reduce isolation
- Help with household tasks
- Increase physical and emotional well-being
- Save money

## Who's eligible?

**Home Providers:** Must be able to self-advocate, provide own personal care needs, have private bedroom for you and one for housemate. Priority will be given to adults over the age of 60 who face barriers to aging in place.

**Home Seekers:** Must be over the age of 18, able to meet own medical needs, reside in Butte County, provide source of demonstrable income, have valid ID and SSN, priority will be given to college students and those affected by the Camp Fire.

## How it works

### Step 1.

Contact us to schedule an informational meeting with staff and submit application.

### Step 2.

Background checks will be conducted on all applicants and home inspections on Home Providers.

### Step 3.

After better understanding what you are looking for in a roommate, we will work together to find a great match.

### Step 4.

An optional trial sleepover period is encouraged to ensure successful cohabitation.

### Step 5.

Team will create an individualized living agreement that captures the unique need of every match.

### Step 6.

Home & Heart staff will provide ongoing support, monthly follow up calls, home visits and mediation as needed.

## What is home sharing?

Home sharing is a living arrangement where two unrelated people share the homeowner's dwelling. Each person has their own private space while sharing common areas in exchange for rent, services, or both.

## Types of living arrangements

### **Traditional Rental Agreement:**

The Home Seeker pays affordable monthly rent to the Home Provider.

### **Service Exchange:**

The Home Provider will offer the Home Seeker free rent in exchange for services such as housekeeping, transportation, and meal preparation.

### **Mixed Arrangement:**

In addition to reduced rent, Home Seekers provide services for the Home Provider.

For questions or to schedule an appointment, contact us today.

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Note: Home & Heart is not an emergency housing resource. The process of matching can take time, and we cannot guarantee that a match will be made.

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An affordable housing solution that benefits renters and homeowners in Butte County.

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