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## Day 2 – Cohousing for All Transcript

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And next we have a session that's called co housing for all and called such because historically, at least in the US but I think this is probably true universally the demographic for co housing tends to be largely white large the college educated, largely

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Because, at least in the US, because that's who has the resource.

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And interestingly enough in the US, there's a lot of single women.

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And as cohousing gains momentum. There are diverse groups that are interested in and attracted to this socially supportive model for housing.

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So, in this session we're going to hear from two different folks one from the US went from Australia.

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Both who are adapting cohousing to serve the needs of two populations that are less often seen in cohousing.

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And these two groups represent the present and future of cohousing in that cohousing needs to serve needs to serve a more inclusive group. And when we can design for these other communities to be sort of centered and focused in the sort of formation of

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the groups and in the physical design, and we can actually better serve the needs for all community members.

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And that's the title of this session cohousing for all. So I'm going to introduce the two speakers. First we're going to start with, Alicia detachment from our home in Portland, Oregon, and she's going to share about.

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She's developing a co housing community where people with intellectual and developmental disabilities will be an integral part of the community.

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And then next we'll hear from Nathan Jordan who is from was developing cohousing in Australia for the LGBT q i A plus youth, and she's using what she calls the pivot model, and we'll share that.

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Yeah. Okay. Hi, everybody. Thank you for joining. Let's go from the slideshow from the beginning.

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Great. So thank you very much for this opportunity I am nervous and very excited to be talking to all of you here today this is a community that is incredibly near and dear to my heart.

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And so, I'll tell you about what we're doing and why and be available later in the day for questions I know that there probably will be some and reach out to me anytime.

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If you have any questions, so our home Cathedral Park is an inclusive and diverse cohousing community or in Portland, Oregon in the United States. I'm the founding neighbor and we are have a third of our neighbors together now and we are forming so anybody

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I want to tell you a little bit about why we're doing this who we are and why we're doing this.

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I've got, you know, 15 minutes to do this, and we've been working on this for about nine years. So it seems like a very short time to condense, a lot of experience into but it all started out with me looking at my immediate core family my mom who was

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turning 18, my daughter who's about to turn 20 and looking at what housing and Home and Community looks like for people who are aging and people who need support, my daughter experiences disability, and it's going to need to have assistance throughout her life. I'm kind of the meat of the sandwich generation where I've got a mom who's

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of the sandwich generation where I've got a mom who's aging and a daughter who's also going to need to have supports throughout her life. And I'm going to hit support, as we're all working through this and reached out to a lot of other families that were

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in the same situation and ask them about what they were looking for.

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I'm going to share some of the struggles that we had for someone's problem. So I'm going to get a little dark for a minute and then I promise I'm going to lighten it back up for you guys.

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For people with disabilities our history in the United States is not pretty.

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We do a lot of congregate settings still to this day Oregon is one of the few states in the United States that doesn't have institutions for people that experience Intellectual and Developmental Disability.

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So we institutionalize we put people in group homes we do people in adult foster care, and we have families that say, Well, my, my daughter or son will live with me forever.

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And I know that my forever is much shorter than my daughter's forever so I need to prepare for when I'm no longer here. I also deserve to have a full life and not always be the primary care provider, and my daughter deserves to have a full life outside

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of her crazy mom and her family. And that's true of all of the families that have adult children with disabilities in the United States to we were, I also looked at you know people that are older or aging, We tend to do assisted care facilities, still

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nursing homes adult foster care. Some people are lucky enough to live with their families, a lot of people age alone. And that is an issue that we wanted to take a look at as well. There was a third leg to this stool of support that we were looking at.

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And in the United States we have an awful lot of economic segregation so we do, we do affordable housing developments where everybody that's living in this development is below median income or in poverty and the problems that tends to create where

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everybody is experiencing the same issue, you don't have that friendly hand to pull you up and out. We often talk about it's you know who we know not what we know.

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And so how do you have that reciprocity and that diversity in a community so that you are a healthy member and not dependent on future ongoing systems and support agencies that the funding tends to Evan flow depending on who's in charge, and what the

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what the funding sources are. So this is some of the problems that we identified early on that we tend to match people based on their deficits and needs in housing.

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And why are we putting people who are deemed to be different together and grouping them separating them from society, so that they're sheltered and cared for, as opposed to caring about why are we not bringing our communities together, there's a sense

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of other thing that happens with all of this.

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Again I'm dark, right now, I promise I'll lighten up there the troubling trends are that there's over a million families in the United States will have adult children, and they are caregivers of the adult children, these families are over the age of 16,

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I'm getting close there myself, and then provide the in home care for their adult family member that experiences Intellectual and Developmental Disability.

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And when those care providers pass on or are no longer able to care. There's a huge influx of people that are going to be coming into our housing crisis that's already existing in the United States that already been identified at this point because their

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house now, they won't be for very long.

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And that population is also declining so fewer young people are being born, the young people are the ones that are caring for the old people. So we have a disparity in availability of care providers in the United States that's about ready to start hitting,

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and also care provider wages in the United States, often don't pay a livable wage and we're seeing post pandemic or in pandemic that people aren't wanting to do these low paying jobs.

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And so it's putting a real burden on who cares for our people that need some assistance.

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We've all seen throughout the world with isolation and loneliness is doing to us during this pandemic.

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It's as detrimental to our health as a sedentary lifestyle, or to packet a smoking habit isolation and can kill us. So we are pack animals. We like people we want to be around people.

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So how do we put our people together as opposed to isolation and segregation.

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So we did a search for home, as opposed to housing, we saw housing based on deficits and needs. We see home at some place that's based on gifts and strengths, and we named our community, our home because it will be our home, and our intention is to provide

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home as opposed to housing, and to provide this strong web of supports for our members, as opposed to one person or system, lifting that support. We want all of us you know many hands make light work, as they say, that is our intention.

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Because of that stated and shared an agreed upon values that co has theirs fall together. We looked at different groups that you are all familiar with an ego and senior in multifamily and people based around spirituality or being self sustaining whether

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you're rural or urban and we called ourselves inclusive and diverse first and foremost. So who are we, you know, we're this group of folks that range from the teenage years, up into their 80s.

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We are writers and singers and parent educators and book bookkeepers and mortgage brokers and beer drinkers and disco pizza party throwers. So this is wild group of people that experience disability and don't people that are below median income and are

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above, people that are in and a wide range of incomes and every walk of life as a byproduct communities are LGBT q A plus communities are people from different countries.

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We are actually we're all the United States right now so we're looking for people from different countries, but all walks of life coming together bringing their true and authentic selves to our home theater apart.

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One of the things that's the same is that we all leaned in together help with the pre development help with the design set of policies, build the culture, the culture is so important.

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Talk about our communications how to deal with adversity and disagreements because we're humans it's going to get messy. We acknowledge that right up front and have the hard conversations around disability aging and everything in between.

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One of the things that's different is that about five years ago I formed a nonprofit, to help support and promote and develop inclusive and diverse communities.

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So the nonprofit, raised a bunch of money, helped with the pre development phases and put together an incredibly well heeled team of architects, our developers UDP one of the CO hosts of this conference, incredible wealth of knowledge that has already

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developed cohousing architect is already designed, no housing, and we've raised funds and pulled together folks that are leaning in to help make this project happen.

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The money that is lend to the development of the cohousing will be paid back upon the mortgage is being funded, and then the nonprofit goes forward and does more of these.

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So it's sort of a wash, rinse and repeat model, where we've developed a lot of knowledge we don't want just to go away with this one and done project, one and done community.

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We want to be able to have this be a choice, moving throughout, Portland, Oregon, United States and the world, and the world.

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The mission of the nonprofit, as I said, is to promote support and develop, inclusive and diverse communities. We want to have a range of ability income and age, as kind of our three tenants.

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We have a maximum of 25% of our homes, being owned by somebody that experiences it or their family. We put a cap on that because we want it to be a natural proportion of what is out in our broader communities.

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This is not disability housing. This is not affordable housing. This is community so we want to have that, that range and that diversity. We also have a goal of having fixed affordable units as grace mentioned many of the CO housing units in the

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United States are out of reach from people that could benefit the most. And so we are working with the nonprofit to subsidize six of our units, had a family income from about 30% of median family income, up to 100%, as well as the rest of them will be

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market rate units and we have 31 total so or 31 total community with studios up to three bedrooms, and our call to arms is homes, not housing.

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This put a little bit of complexity, you know, adding the nonprofit in with the community developing the project it, you know, it's very manageable but it does take some organization, our developer has been wonderful to expand their knowledge base and

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work with the some of the ins and outs of nonprofits and donations and involvement and charity intent. So this is our development structure.

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What that gains us is that we right off the bat, have more experience and knowledge, we have less financial risk of our families coming in so when you're talking about family money being spent.

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And being invested in a co housing group that's scary. It's hard to pull those families together that have 100 grand that you can drop in and say, Oh, I hope this works.

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You know that's a very special, you know, small slice of humanity that can take that risk, and has the time and the effort and the capacity to put into that kind of hard work up front.

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So once we, we started gathering our community back in March we own our land. We had all of that setup plus a ton of the pre development and illegal and you know basic design put together, before we brought our folks in, and we've got a much faster trajectory

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because of that and people that are there to help us succeed.

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Typical structure financially. The only thing that's different is that we've got about, \$300,000 of nonprofit support already baked into that that helped us get a leg up.

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So what are we building together.

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We're building this, I'm going to go back just a second. This gorgeous designed very urban, so that we have access to all the amenities, we didn't want to be out on a farm or out where we had to be bused in.

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We want to be able to get to transportation and medical entertainment. We want to be able to have our pubs and our restaurants at our theaters, and our farmers markets.

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We are at the edge of the downtown core, but right also at the edge of a ton of kind of forested areas, and more natural areas. So we have that beautiful balance between being able to get out in nature, and having access to the from have a strong community

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Our architects followed our program and our mission and our values and did an overlay of neuro diversity Deaf space guidelines, Universal Design blind and visually impaired design aging or staying in place design and trauma informed design.

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So the brick and mortar, from the very beginning welcomes the broad swath of humanity as possible. Just by being a structure.

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The way that the flow is throughout our community, allows us to see each other and build community just by being president we don't necessarily have to go up and shake hands, we can see each other from our unit tests for gathering in our common spaces,

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our community center can be seen from almost all of our units so when something cool is going on in there that you want to be a part of you get yourself down there and when you're not feeling quite the capacity for the time, you can hang out and just

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wave and say hey neighbor. Glad you're having a good time. I'm here you're here.

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Our design is also such that it it welcomes the broader community to us so we're not just enclosed in and of ourselves. We also have a presence, you can see down in the little drawing down here that shows the broader community and example of what an inclusive

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When you're in transit and all of the resources we have a community garden that is right next door to us, we have the access to grow food and flowers.

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One of the things of this being in this urban environment, and that little toolbox of a common space that you saw there. Is it does something that we call accidental advocacy.

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So it's sort of a subliminal sneaky thing of again showing the broader community. You don't have to do disability housing, you don't have to do affordable housing, there's a, there's not a, not in my backyard kind of feeling about this.

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There is a this is a core community that helps support us. We're drawn in, we're how we're hosting.

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You know workshops and learning, learning sessions and neighborhood association meetings that are common spaces as well so we get that flow between our community and others.

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And as I said, our goal is to scale replicate support and advise, so you know keep this rolling forward. I'm happy to help out in any capacity for, even if it's just as an example of choice.

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If there is any if there are any questions or thoughts or reflections, please feel free to reach back to us. Thank you again so much for this opportunity to share today and for the work that you all are doing out there as well.

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Thank you, Alicia, I think there's lots of appreciation, about this project in the chat.

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So, we will move on. For now to Nathan, who is in Australia, and she will be sharing about the work that she's doing out there.

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Okay Hello everybody, Alicia is a pretty hard act to follow that is a fantastic presentation and we had had an earlier conversation a few weeks ago kind of debating the kind of diverse community model of CO housing, compared with the cohort specific co

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Yes, so look just to, I know it's a very short amount of time and I just talked to you a little bit about this so this thing, sexually research project it's a co design research project, looking at mutual housing solutions, not, not for LGBT q plus broadly

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So, I'm a community planner with Daniel City Council, which is a local government area in NA or Melbourne.

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So I work with the local council, as I said, I work with the LGBT q plus community specifically. So, just to give you a little bit of context for this project.

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I've done a little bit of advocacy in cohousing before so in a previous job I looked at all the women, particularly single older women as Alicia and others have mentioned you know there's a there's a real need there's a real lack of affordable housing

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options for women as they age, and some lesbian group within that which got me interested and then this new role working with the LGBT q plus community, particularly came to my attention.

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It, particularly came to my attention. Some of the issues and discrimination, facing young people and particularly trans and diverse and non binary so I'll just go back you can see I'm not very good at the technology, it is half past six in the morning,

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that's my that's my excuse here slideshow back to that.

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so that's what I said so overall Australia has a youth homelessness problem with LGBT q plus youth that over represented in terms of homelessness and housing insecurity.

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This is just a little bit more about the diversity of our community so it is a diverse community we could, we could turn both the one of the wealthiest socio economic suburbs in Melbourne.

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And one of the lowest socio economic suburbs in Melbourne which is from where I'm speaking I've lived in both I rented in the beautiful legal bonds and I now can afford to own a property very lucky and West Heidelberg where the 1956 Australian Olympics

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were held. So the Olympic Village is still there it's been turned into public housing and it's you know it's considered quite a, a, you know, challenge area.

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So just to give you a bit more context about this problem, I guess, and you'll understand why we turned it pivot, because I don't know whether you know but mental health out comes for trends and what, I'll just use the word trends but i mean by that name

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trans and gender diverse young people between, you know 15 to 25.

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So the mental health outcomes for transgender diverse people are three to four times higher than a for non trans people, and some, you know, really concerning statistics so almost half of attempted suicide.

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Three quarters experienced depression, few less anxiety, and that's not so much inherent to the trans experience, but it's directly linked to the discrimination they face so you can see those incredibly high statistics, there are clear rejection bullying,

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discrimination, and there's actually very high levels of family violence often in the home of origin for young trans people particularly from siblings but.

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And because they, you know, a lot of family violence services are directed towards women, experiencing family violence, they're not always understanding or necessarily welcoming of the chance and LGBT q plus family violence situation so often that goes

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on address so you've got people experiencing trauma, leaving a, an unsafe place, and I just put in some us statistics, there are so many of you are based there and just that, that took 215 survey which found sorry I've done it again.

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startling disparities of finding a job having a place to live accessing Medicare and medical care and it's enjoying the support a family and community, and it's very similar in Australia, and transgender people in Australia have the highest rates of non

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employment than any other cohort. So the idea for this project was that if you could intervene at the right time to help people to help young people when they need, stability peer support and mentorship and safe housing that could then provide a possibly

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temporary pivot into the, into allowing them to live their best lives so I put together a group of young people through, through my work and I was looking at co housing as possible solution so secure housing as your little dough is linked to positive

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outcomes, not only for individuals but for broader society. And as I said it could provide a safe transition, and it could also help teach young people, not just give them that sense of belonging, but really give them some skills for around the social

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socio accuracy and structured decision making processes that with the characteristic of cohousing. So, the, the process I laugh because of course it started in covert and trying to engage with young people experiencing disadvantage and social inclusion.

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So I'm walking around my garden now, half past six in the morning. It has proved difficult, of course, because really key to working in CO design research is to building trust and rapport and that can be hard with a screen between you, but I've been really

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lucky and we've got. Additionally, I have five young people interested in the project.

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The pictures you see aren't the pictures of the people, but they are pictures of real young trans I did find people who are homeless.

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So I don't know whether you know about co housing and design I'm sure some of you do but you can see the graphic here, and essentially it's a process of CO creation and so the young people came in they knew very little about the house in security faced

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by young, young Australians, particularly young LGBT q plus, particularly trends I did find space. So my role I saw was to kind of define some of the housing issues and kind of build their empathy and understanding.

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balanced way because I found you know an early finding was that they didn't know the statistics around those negative outcomes that we saw in earlier slides in relation to homelessness, unemployability mental health outcomes so of course they were aware

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of that, in their own experience, and experience of their friends but they hadn't seen those cold hard statistics so there was a matter of, you know, being a kind of researcher with a background in public policy to working with young people and trying

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to give them the support and facilitate their ideas and hear about their lived experience but in a really safe and inclusive wide. So, from that kind of point we've engaged in a series of workshops three now we've got our next one on Tuesday, which have

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been looking at kind of ideation and we've, we've done a couple of activities so we've looked at a more model of cohousing which is actually in Daniel, and it's a social traditional model of CO housing put more darker you might have already heard about

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it from some of my allies at cohousing Australia in this conference. So, I word Dhaka is, is, is funded its social housing which is fantastic, we don't have a lot of that in Australia.

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I'm not sure how much of it you have in the US and other countries in the world.

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But we don't have a lot of it here but we're in Dhaka is a, is a kind of 18 units of housing.

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They're closely connected with the community, big focus on environmental sustainability, really open and we do have some kind of query identifying people who live there already.

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The other model I put to them is in the picture at the bottom which you can sort of see there, have a sort of thing tie now. And this was a model called the village which is a specific model for young people who are leaving institutional care.

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And it's a, you know, I think there's six units of housing but in shipping containers kind of adapted but two of those with live in mentors and who gets free range in, in exchange for, you know, working with young people, and there's also a you know a

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charity that provides a facilitated work up.

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So I kind of, you know, we explored those two different models, just to give them something firm kind of set some boundaries of what cohousing can look like and, you know, so the earlier one is mixed ages very diverse.

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The second one is you specific kind of trauma informed, and really focused on building the skills of those young people, life skills housing skills and, you know, to go out on their own and get work.

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So, we followed that by kind of having hearing the mapping the lived experiences of our participants. We do persona activities which were based on real case studies from a trans housing Facebook group, a non Of course.

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No, none of those pictures the actual people were using a strengths based approach which is something that Alicia also mentioned, so that is very much work, we're lucky to have a steering group for the project and that involves a psychologist who's written

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about the trans experience of trauma and mental health and discrimination and and found some that in a way that kind of group experience build some real strengths to that.

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And I also looked at AA, not so far from you, an LGBT q plus, housing, kind of prices house in places Sacramento, step, but also recognizes the need to work through trauma.

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So, the project so far working with the participants for me, what what's really striking is the incredible high levels of emotional maturity of young people these days.

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Certainly compared with when I was young.

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That and, and I think, very specific to the LGBT q plus community is, is mental health literacy, so that you know they're very aware of, and they talk about it a lot and they talked about the discrimination, and they talk about mental health and suicide

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ideation so all those things that really comfortable in talking and hearing about that which I, I see as a real strength.

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And they're also very accepting of diversity, as shown in our first iteration of the pivot model so this is ongoing research it's not to to finish until the end of this Australian financial year which is end of June.

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But this is what they've done so this is the point we're at so far so I said, you know, here's a magic wand, money is no object, you know, at this time, so from here we're going to kind of work down, but what they have come up with so far in a way is

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so different from Alicia's model and I'm sure many of your others so they were looking at A. They said they'd like they would like the housing you know I said to them, is it LGBT q plus, is it trans and gender diverse specific, is it broader community,

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know that these are the key things that we've got to think about is it is it inclusive of all diversity or or doesn't need to be, you know, are, are there benefits for young trans, potentially vulnerable people from having that kind of peer supportive

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housing. So, they, they decided that yes they want to people who are gender queer which was, you know, their description of it, but they were keen to have the diversity within that they talked a lot about people with disabilities and they wanted somebody

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They wanted the design of it to be universally designed so you know whether it's wheelchair users and or kind of neuro diverse personality so that was sent Sure, since sensory aware design, design for Mental Health, Exercise commitment, equipment, sorry.

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Even a place to do performance so you know it aligns just with what Alicia's described in some ways about that design.

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They wanted input from trans housing experts and we have two speakers coming to our next meeting. There's the governance is and the kind of the model of decision making is what we're going to be focusing on next, but really they they agreed that, you

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know, you will have have to have your goals and values and then multiple ways of thinking about how you resolve challenges and disputes and how you make decisions.

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They will also really keen that we build in links with the broader community and they talked about doing that through sustainability practices, possibly through performance.

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And again, thinking about it perhaps is, you know, some units of housing, other people with mobility issues or disability and the others.

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You know, just a little bit broader. So that's the end of my presentation. I've no idea I hope haven't gone over time, Grace. And as I say there's, you know, we're still working on it and we're to to present the findings at a Australia National Housing

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conference in March. So that's me and one of the participants.

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Thank you so much. And thanks to Alicia as well.

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Very interesting the different frames that one gets looking from different populations and what their needs are and what their interests are so really appreciate that.

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We are very near the end of our day ready for the last segment which is the question and answer in breakout rooms. So, Neil has the set up and ready to go.

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I'm going to make my closing comments now so that once you're in a breakout room if you want to stay on over the named and our about 10 minutes from now you're welcome to do that I'll leave those rooms open for about half an hour after.

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And in terms of closing just a reminder, please think about that contact list if you haven't added yourself to it yet, and the feedback form. If you're going to come back tomorrow you can we can do with them but if you're not please make sure you fill

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And, and thank you again to all of our presenters to our organizers to our sponsors and to the board of the housing association with us for the space for this it's been another fabulous day and looking forward to more tomorrow, right, anything else we

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Everybody for all the great presentations and we will see you, bright and early tomorrow, or bright and late wherever you are. So, Neil go ahead and open the rooms, and they are self joining room so you can put yourself in the room that you'd like if

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you were a presenter today please go to the room that has your topic on it so that people can find you there. And if you're having difficulty getting into a room.

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Let us know. We can we can help sort of push that direction if you need help, but hopefully you should be able to use the breakout rooms link, and find your way and, and I think room seven was intended to be just kind of open networking if you just want

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How do we pick a room, excuse me, haven't done that here.

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So, it's a little trickier on an iPad, but if you're on a regular computer, laptop whatever at the bottom where there's chat and mute and all those things, there's a link for breakout rooms.

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And if you look to the right side of the box that pops up you'll see little blue things that say join and sadly I am on an iPad, so I will go check the menu on an iPad I don't own one and I'm not as familiar with using them, but others.

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It is, it is in the menu, it can be done online breakout room now. Thank you very much.

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the menu, it can be done online breakout room now. Thank you very much. Really great, great session.

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Thank you.

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I mean the others were good too, but this is the one I'm alert to right now let's see.

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or Peter Are you needing help getting to a room or are you just deciding deciding.

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yes what I was asking you may also wrote message it is.

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If you have the chance to get the real time transcript of yesterday, the text file.

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Today I got a tip so for me it for me is much more useful to maybe read and, again, I maybe I lost some bits of the speeches and so some of us be very, very, I can understand everything but some of other people are more difficult and I would like to just

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Honestly, I didn't plan as well as I should have for that so my apologies but if if zoom captured it, we will share it.

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Okay, so I think we'll have it I just don't want to absolutely promise.

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Okay. But thank you very much. Yep into now.

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Choosing. Great. And Gary, Ernie Nicole I see you're possibly still here are you needing help getting somewhere.

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I'm here.

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Okay, are you wanting to join one of the breakout rooms for sort of q amp a with one of our speakers.

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Yeah, the, The Ontario one is that, Kevin.

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The Canadian development models. Yeah, we can send you there.

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So you should have gotten a pop up to access to so much. Appreciate it. For

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me, Nicole Are you here and needing help getting somewhere.

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Well we got to another day.

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So I'm going to actually walk away I think and just let people find their own way out.

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I'm just gonna walk away.

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I can go off. Wait, what is I status.

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I think I'm not host so you'll want to make me host but I'm just going to leave it here looking blank and let people pass through.

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Okay, so if I make you host Can you make me co host so I can awake.

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Yeah, make because just in case. That makes it possible for me to go and come back right.

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Let's try that, because I, I don't know, don't just give me some options I've got a couple of things to finish up here.

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And, Yeah, we'll see you tomorrow

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at work or yes it worked. Sweet. Okay.

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So, oh, yeah, I'll see you tomorrow. And, um, yeah, as I say, I'm going to go do what I need to do for the next half hour and just figure. Everybody found their way to at least one breakout room and we are two minutes from endo scheduled program so they

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## **Chat Window**

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UK Owen Jarvis:

Chat window	
02:45:21	Bryan Bowen (he·him)   caddis collaborative: Awesome, Kristopher!
02:46:22	Erik Granum: Let me talk to my wife. I think we can make that work
02:49:45	Mary Huang (Canadian Cohousing, Concorde Cohousing) - Ottawa:Love the
Vienna Social Housing Model. People can stay in their unit / neighbourhood and just pay more	
02:49:51	Mary Huang (Canadian Cohousing, Concorde Cohousing) - Ottawa:as their
income rises	
02:51:32	Kristopher Stevens (Canada): Thanks Bryan. Just sent you and Karin the link
directly too.	
02:53:54	Ann Zabaldo: Thank you, Kristopher and Sarah and Mary — love the models!
02:54:44	Kristopher Stevens (Canada): Thanks Ann. Great presentations all around!
02:55:37	grace kim (she/her) schemata workshop   USA: wow! you allow
customization for each flat?	
at what point	in the design process - early on (schematic phase) or after they have purchased
home (during construction)?	
02:57:53	grace kim (she/her) schemata workshop   USA: did you partner with a
developer for the competition	
02:58:14	Bryan Bowen (he·him)   caddis collaborative: Gorgeous work!
02:59:02	Studio Co+hab - Mathilde: I agree. So inspiring!
02:59:27	Danny - UD+P (USA): How many total units typically? In a large building, are the
common spaces set up for two separate Cohousing communities?	
02:59:30	Jesper Ole Jensen: Great! Any requirements or ambitions to engage with the
local community? Open up facilities etc	
03:01:41	grace kim (she/her) schemata workshop   USA: what is the construction of
the super structure	
03:02:07	UK Owen Jarvis: Communal facilities on the roof - and a sauna! Very nice in
that setting. Beautiful designs. (Does it have a Belgium Beer Fridge?)	
03:03:51	Kristopher Stevens (Canada): $\stackrel{ ext{$ ext{$arphi}$}}{ ext{$arphi}}$ It would be the civilized thing to do Owen $\stackrel{ ext{$arphi}$}{ ext{$arphi}}$ A
wine cellar too!	
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consider home working facilities far more as essential? It feels v important but another

Question - does the cohousing movement need to

- significant additional cost to builds. There are various discussions in UK on how to fund communal facilities.
- 03:07:52 Helen Jarvis (she/her) CoHUT: Lovely to see curved walls and the clay lining appears to be inspired by adobe construction
- 03:10:02 Neil Planchon (Coho/US & FIC) neil@ic.org: Markus's website :: https://www.einszueins.at/
- 03:10:28 Kathy McGrenera Canada: Inspiring presentation Markus, thanks!
- 03:11:26 Neil Planchon (Coho/US & FIC) neil@ic.org: Federico's Cohousing Projects website :: https://www.cohousingprojects.com/
- 03:13:28 Betsy Morris, Cohousing Coaches/CA: Thank you Markus! Many democratic socialists of America are studying Vienna and social housing and cooperatives for application to US and specific cities here in California. How could I follow up with you? (Betsy Morris)
- 03:14:22 Markus ZIlker: @Grace: the customization (of the Floor plans) of the flats starts very early in the design process, and we do customization of the materials in a later Phase too. And yes, we partnerd with a developer for the Competition of Gleis21.
- 03:17:04 Neil Planchon (Coho/US & FIC) neil@ic.org: @Betsy: office [at] einszueins.at and maybe Markus has another for you
- 03:17:46 Markus ZIlker: @ Danny: we usually realise Cohousing projects in Austria with 15-40 units
- 03:19:25 Markus ZIlker: my contact: markus.zilker@einszueins.at
- 03:20:02 Betsy Morris, Cohousing Coaches/CA: Thank you Markus! 03:20:08 Betsy Morris, Cohousing Coaches/CA: And thank you Nil
- 03:20:12 Betsy Morris, Cohousing Coaches/CA: Neil1
- 03:26:23 Laura Fitch (USA), Fitch Architecture:did you do comparative pricing before settling on CLT?
- 03:28:07 Kathy McGrenera Canada: Wonderful urban infill project Federico, thanks! 03:29:26 Katie McCamant: When you say 10% more expensive, but is that compared to wood framing or concrete or?
- 03:29:35 Bryan Bowen (he·him) | caddis collaborative: Great work loved seeing it! Inspiring for US groups, I hope. It'd be cool for this kind of imagery to make it's way into a CohoUS image library that people could use to inspire/promote their projects.
- 03:29:45 Mary Huang (Canadian Cohousing, Concorde Cohousing) Ottawa:how about compared with passive house
- 03:29:54 Federico Bisschop: 10% more expensive than bricks, which is the classic building method in Belgium.
- 03:30:24 Federico Bisschop: You can do passive housing with every method of building.
- 03:31:53 Neil Planchon (Coho/US & FIC) neil@ic.org: Alicia DeLashmutt ::
- https://www.ourhomecathedralpark.com
- 03:32:17 Myfan Jordan (she/her): Myfan Jordan@banyule.vic.gov.au
- 03:41:25 Markus ZIlker: Thank you Alicia, your engagement is very inspiring!
- 03:44:49 UK Owen Jarvis: Beautiful project @Alicia reminds me of one project in the UK https://www.sturtscommunitytrust.org.uk/

03:47:13 Bryan Bowen (he·him) | caddis collaborative: Love this project! A few years ago Caddis intro'd a group who wanted to do trad coho for their kids (IDD) to BHP (housing authority) and got them into one of their projects that was already rolling, which left us on the cutting room floor, but got it done: https://theramblecollective.org/blog/30pearl-project-update/. The Ramble Collective is also another cool precedent.

03:48:06 UK Owen Jarvis: I'm feeling pretty inspired. Love the other projects being shared as well.

04:02:08 Danny - UD+P (USA): What was the Sacramento project you mentioned?

04:02:42 Kathy McGrenera Canada: I think Myfan said it was called STEP

04:05:00 Kathy McGrenera Canada: Thanks very much Myfan!

04:05:05 Chiara Casotti: Hi there, is there anyone who saved yesterday's realtime transcript (Txt file)? Thank you!!!!

04:05:18 Mary Huang (Canadian Cohousing, Concorde Cohousing) - Ottawa:Myfan what is mental health design?

04:05:33 Kristopher Stevens: Thank you Myfan and again thanks to the organizers!

04:05:35 Mary Huang (Canadian Cohousing, Concorde Cohousing) - Ottawa:link to add contact list please?

04:05:46 Bryan Bowen (he·him) | caddis collaborative: Such cool work, everyone! thanks for sharing!

04:05:59 Neil Planchon (Coho/US & FIC) neil@ic.org: Rooms are ready with subject names. I could not add names in some of the titles

04:06:06 Elena Pereyra - Cohousing Australia: Try the form here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdWFB1IVmNIXOz3p2k8PcBuzEpRpT-1bPkPGSqrhXuxbPmJXQ/viewform

04:06:09 Mary Huang (Canadian Cohousing, Concorde Cohousing) - Ottawa:Cool sessions today

04:06:19 Studio Co+hab - Mathilde: Thanks everyone! Super inspiring projects!

04:06:36 Angelica Rojas: Very inspiring!!

04:06:39 Kathy McGrenera, Canada: room list if found in the breakout room tab at the bottom, sometimes under the .