# cohousing association of the UNITED STATES

# Cohousing –eNews–

# **Pay it Forward**

As cohousers, we know that living in community is about much more than just sharing resources and living spaces. It's about building relationships and creating a sense of belonging that extends beyond our own homes.

Cohousing is more than just a way of living; it's a philosophy, a way of being in the world. It's about community, cooperation, and shared responsibility. It's about



creating a better world, one neighborhood at a time.

At CohoUS, we are building more than just communities – we're building a movement. And being part of a movement isn't just about feeling good or being part of something bigger than ourselves. It's about taking action and making a difference. Here are three ways that you can get involved this month, and support the cohousing movement:

1) <u>Host (and attend!) an open house event</u>: Invite your friends, family, and neighbors to experience the power of cohousing. Show them how it's possible to live in a way that's more connected, sustainable, and fulfilling. You never know - you might just inspire someone to start their own cohousing community!

2) Join the CohoUS Marketing Committee: If you're passionate about cohousing and want to help spread the word, consider joining our marketing committee. You'll have the chance to work with other cohousers from around the country, developing and implementing strategies to promote cohousing and grow the movement.

3) <u>Share your stories and photos</u>: Your experiences and insights are a vital part of the cohousing movement. By sharing your stories and photos, you can help others

understand what cohousing is all about and why it matters.

We're so glad that you're part of this community of communities. Your commitment, passion, and energy are what make this movement so powerful. Let's continue to work together to build a world that is more connected, sustainable, and equitable. Together, we can create a world where cohousing is the norm, not the exception.



### National Cohousing Open House Weekend May 6-7, 2023

On May 6-7, 2023, cohousing communities across the country will open their doors to neighbors and friends from their surrounding communities. National Open House Weekend is our chance to share the story of cohousing - who we are, how we live, and why we love this way of life. There are two ways to engage with this weekend:

1) Host a gathering of your own. Events can be virtual or in-person, and we welcome participation from existing, forming and regional groups. <u>Submit your event here</u>.

2) <u>Attend an Open House</u> in your area, or virtual event anywhere! Our list of events will be updated regularly, so check back often to see what's happening.

# SPRING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

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# Learn how to develop and build better cohousing communities.

Featuring expert guidance from professionals in their fields, these educational sessions will cover everything from financing to marketing to architectural design. No matter your role or what stage you're at in your cohousing community journey, there's something for everyone!

# March - May 2023



Registration is currently underway for the <u>Cohousing Institute's</u> first spring training programs providing expert guidance and resources for community builders and professionals to develop more and better cohousing. Click each title below to learn more and register (partners remember to use a code at registration to receive your discount).

Financing Your Cohousing Development with Katie McCamant April 27th 3-5 PT (FREE FOR PARTNERS)

6-Week Intro to Cohousing Course: Launching Your Community with Erik Bonnett and Mathilde Berthe March 28th - May 2nd (25% OFF FOR PARTNERS)

### Catch the replay!

Did you know that we record all of our events? If you missed one of our previous sessions, or didn't register because of timing, you can still register to watch the replay!

<u>Cooperatives as a Tool for Inclusive Communities</u> <u>Together By Design</u> <u>Prepare for Property: Cultivate Your Local Market</u>

(Need based scholarships are available supporting our commitment to inclusion)

The Commons: A Monthly Gathering for the Cohousing Curious (and experts too!)

The 10th of every month 10am MT

### The Commons

A (free) monthly gathering for the cohousing curious (and experts too!)

Curious about cohousing but don't know where to start? Want to meet with cohousing newbies and experts alike? This (free) monthly gathering will include a Cohousing 101 presentation and ample time to connect and ask questions. We'll share cohousing lingo, best practices and more information on how to continue your cohousing journey. Join us once, or every time – we'll be here every month on the 10<sup>th</sup> at 10am MT.

REGISTER

# SENIOR COHOUSING ADVOCATES COMMITTEE

### **Study Refutes Aging Stereotypes**

What was your view of "senior citizens" when you were a youthful 20- or 30-something? Perhaps you pictured gray-haired, stooped elders walking with a cane, playing bingo in a retirement home, their calendars full of medical appointments. People whom life had passed by, who were simply marking time until the end. A recent study by AARP and National Geographic largely debunked that stereotype.

### Read the full article here.

# Cohousing is part of a more sustainable, democratic and connected future.

To date, CohoUS has helped enable the development of over 200 cohousing communities in the US. These communities serve as examples of the sustainable and community-based neighborhoods our country will need in the future. Please support CohoUS and help us double that number in the next few years.

Your monthly gift will both support new initiatives as well as the continued nurturing



of our communities and growth of our movement. As an **Evergreen Neighbor**, you can take pride in **creating a legacy** that will live on to support future generations.

# Donations, as a community or as an individual, are accepted year round and can be made to:

Cohousing Association of the US 3860 Chase St Wheat Ridge, CO 80212

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### **Events from Our Partners**



The <u>Intentional Community Summit</u> is a free, 3-day online event featuring 12 of the world's foremost experts on community living, so you can pursue your community

vision with confidence. CohoUS Executive Director, Trish Becker, will be speaking about cohousing as a collective housing solution for a lonely world. It all builds up to the live Community Matchmaking Event on April 8th from 1-3pm Eastern. Speed dating rounds will utilize software to ensure you spend quality time with the people

you want as part of your community.

Register with code TRISH for 20% off the matchmaking event that follows!

## **Classified Listings**

Forming Communities and Communities Seeking Members



Sunnyside Village Cohousing Seattle, WA



Adams Creek Cohousing Hood River, OR



Mission Peak Village Fremont, CA



Burns Village & Farm Cohousing and Agrihood Community Burns,TN



Cohousing Houston Houston, TX



Rachel Carson EcoVillage Gibsonia, PA



Cathedral Park Cohousing Portland, OR



Heartwood Commons Tulsa, OK



Heartwood Cohousing Bayfield,CO



Washington Commons West Sacramento, CA



Skagit Commons Anacortes, WA

### Homes for Sale or Rent



Bloomington, IN For Sale: 3 bd/2ba, 1,233 sq ft, and built in 2021 in Bloomington Cohousing

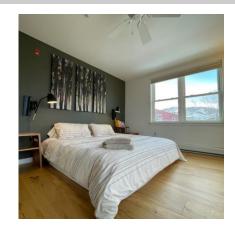


#### Durham, NC

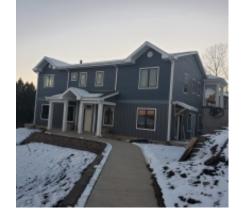
For Sale: \*price reduced\* LBGT-focused 55+ community - 2 bedroom, 2 bath home available in Village Hearth Cohousing



Santa Cruz, CA For Sale: 5 bedroom light-filled beauty at Coyote Crossing



Boulder, CO For Rent: Furnished 4BR / 4BA available this Summer at Multi-generational Cohousing in Boulder, CO



<u>lowa City, Iowa</u> For Sale: 2 bedroom, 1 bath, architecturally designed, first floor home available at Prairie Hill Cohousing.



<u>St. Louis Park, MN</u> For Sale: Delightful Cohousing Cooperative Apartment available this Spring in the Minneapolis, MN



### For Sale: Beautiful three bedroom, two bath townhouse nestled in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains



#### Fair Oaks, CA

For Sale: 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs flat with well-designed floor plan, efficient storage, and large windows in Fair Oaks Ecohousing



Prescott, AZ For Sale: Sweet and cozy, craftsman-style home in Manzanita Village, Prescott Arizona

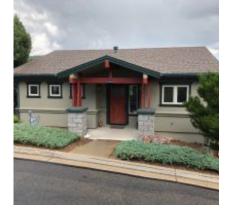


#### Fort Collins, CO

For Sale: Large home in Greyrock Commons in Fort Collins, Colorado -Semi-rural, 17 acres on edge of city limits, 2 mi to downtown, close to foothills, trails, Horsetooth Lake



Spokane, WA For Sale: 1 bed 1 bath home for sale or lease in Haystack Heights Cohousing Spokane WA



#### Prescott, AZ

For Sale: Craftsman style 2000 sq. ft. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 office custom home in one of the most livable small cities in the country.

### **Supporters**











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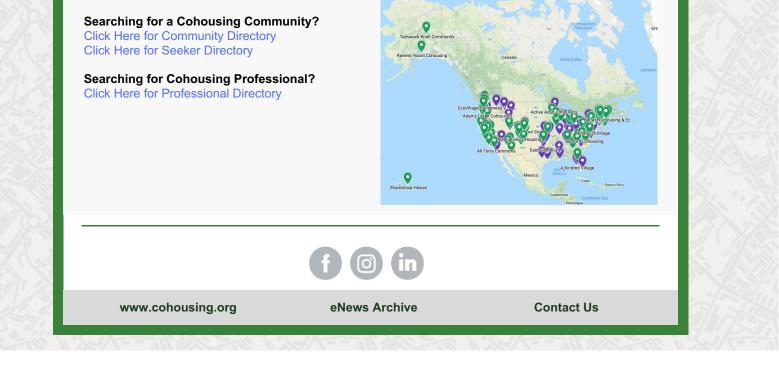
## **By The Numbers**



105 Forming Communities



**Community Directory** 



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