

Housing Initiative Partnership ~ Home Sharing Program

MONTGOMERY COUNTY



What is Home Sharing?

Home Sharing with HIP is an **innovative** idea where homeowners offer spare rooms, or Accessory Dwelling Units in their home for rent to home seekers searching for **affordable, healthy and safe housing** for longer than six months. We help you through the process free of charge.

HIP's Montgomery County Home Sharing Program is supported by Montgomery County's Department of Health & Human Services, and offers **free access to the Silvernest online platform**, which provides background checks, lease creators, automated rent payments, and homesharing insurance.



Montgomery County Home Sharing
offers a way to have a more comfortable life.

<https://HIPhomes.org/Home-Sharing>

Benefits of Home Sharing

- Increases sense of security and **reduces social isolation** while aging in place
- Creates a new source of **monthly income** for homeowners
- **Locates and screens** compatible housemates, including the option to share light housekeeping chores or assistance with errands in exchange for reduced rent
- Creates an alternative affordable housing option in an expensive rental market
- Strengthens neighborhoods and **builds community** by offering an efficient use of existing housing stock that helps people remain in their homes, or find more affordable housing selections



How HIP Can Help

Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. is a private, green nonprofit housing developer and HUD-approved counseling agency dedicated to revitalizing neighborhoods. HIP has offices in Hyattsville, Germantown and Gaithersburg.

HIP's certified housing counselors can increase the likelihood of a successful **long-term match** by employing a thoughtful process that reviews the clients' preferences, needs, rights and responsibilities as homeowners and renters. We listen to your needs and help you work through your options.