# 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 both homeowners and home seekers through the process of finding a compatible match, free of charge.

HIP's Montgomery County Home Sharing Program is supported by Montgomery County's Department of Health & Human Services.



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. develops innovative affordable housing, revitalizes neighborhoods, and equips people to achieve their housing and financial goals. 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.



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