

# CREATIVE HOUSING OPTIONS

## Shared Housing Resources

### Agewise King County

<http://resourcecenter.agewisekingcounty.org/CategorySearch.aspx?c=28&p=3>

- Legal, financial and practical aspects of senior home-sharing matchup programs
- Link to national resource on homesharing arrangements, problems to consider

## UPCOMING EVENT: PNA Village, Seattle presents Silvernest

→ Upcoming Phinney Neighborhood Association workshop:

Saturday June 23, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m., free

Phinney Center Brick Building, Community Hall (6532 Phinney Ave N, Seattle 98103)

<https://www.phinneycenter.org/calendar/home-sharing/>

## Co-Housing Resources

- <http://www.cohousing.org/> (includes mapping tool to find cohousing communities). There are 25 communities (existing or forming) in Washington, most in greater Seattle but also north to Bellingham and south to Olympia, plus one in Spokane.
- <http://www.cohousing.org/aging> is specific to age-friendly cohousing communities (both multi-generational and senior-only). The closest completed senior co-housing community is in Portland; there is one in the process of being built in Port Townsend.
- <http://www.cohousing.org/professionals> (developers, architects, and other consultants)
- <http://www.affordablecohousing.org/> Partnerships for Affordable Cohousing

## **Affordable Retirement Housing: Search under 'Affordable Retirement Housing'**

SHAG: Senior Housing Assistance Group (see definition in handout)

- <https://www.housing4seniors.com/>

## Seattle Housing Authority

Low income housing, including building specifically for low income older adults.

Ex.: Olmstead Manor, 501 NE Ravenna Blvd. Often multi-year waiting list

- <https://www.seattlehousing.org/>

## Look Regionally

If price is the primary factor for you, check regional pricing: Bellingham, Olympia, Bremerton; Spokane, Walla Walla, Yakima, Wenatchee.

- Consider also proximity to care, support system; weather issues; cultural amenities

## **Virtual Villages**

Intergenerational, neighborhood community-building support for residents to engage and extend their time in current homes. This is a growing movement regionally and nationally.

National Village to Village Movement: <http://www.vtvnetwork.org/>

Seattle/Bellevue: PNA Village (Phinney Neighborhood Association Village), NEST (Northeast Seattle Together); Wider Horizons (Central Seattle); Eastside Neighbors Network – in development