

# Will a Homeshare Programme Benefit the People You Help?

Homeshare enables two unrelated people to share their lives for their mutual benefit. A homesharer provides support and companionship to a householder in exchange for free or low-cost accommodation.

Homeshare is a flexible solution that can benefit many people with support or housing needs. It builds relationships, often between two generations.



## Householders

### How they benefit:

- Support in the home for everyday tasks
- Companionship and new relationships
- Better health
- Peace of mind knowing someone is in the home at night

### Who they can be:

- Older people and retirees
- Single parents
- Empty nesters
- People with disabilities

## Homesharers



### Who they can be:

- Young professionals and key workers
- Mature students
- Single downsizers, e.g. divorcees
- Single parents

### How they benefit:

- Affordable housing
- Companionship and new relationships



## Who else benefits?

- Family members are reassured by the fact their relative isn't living alone
- Health and social services benefit from fewer demands on their services
- Communities benefit from better use of housing stock and stronger relationships

## About Homeshare International

Homeshare International is a worldwide network of professionals who run a homeshare programme, support the development of homesharing, or raise awareness of what homeshare can offer as a solution to many of society's needs.

To learn more about starting a homeshare programme, visit [www.homeshare.org](http://www.homeshare.org) or contact us at [hi@homeshare.org](mailto:hi@homeshare.org).

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