

COHOUSING IS COMING TO TEXAS!

Founded in 2017, CoHousing Houston is a group of committed community-builders working together to create an inclusive, diverse "urban village" in Houston's East End neighborhood.

COHOUSING IS...

Private homes built around a shared space created to help neighbors run into each other and facilitate relationships within the community.

Inside the condominium, cohousing looks like any other thoughtfully-designed space. Each home has a kitchen, living room, bedrooms, and all the other amentities expected in a private home. Privacy is important to cohousers, so each unit has some space that looks out on to the community while the home serves as a serene retreat.

Outside the front door is when most people notice the difference in cohousing. Shared spaces, including community gardens, outdoor play spaces, and a large Common House are lively with neighbors enjoying hobbies or gathering for a meal.

	CoHousing	Condo
Private home with kitchen, bedrooms, living spaces	\checkmark	\checkmark
Parking space	\checkmark	\checkmark
Landscaped outdoor areas	\checkmark	\checkmark
Homeowners' Association (HOA)	\checkmark	\checkmark
Common House actively used with community dinners, guest space, and more	\checkmark	
Community gardens	\checkmark	
A "say" in community deci- sions	\checkmark	

Project Highlights

- 33 units
- One to four bedroom condos
- Modern, light-filled design
- Sustainable, green geothermal
- Gardens and outdoor space
- Common House: community amenities
- Walkable neighborhood on Light Rail
- Extensive cycling trails
- Flexible parking options
- Sense of belonging
- Move in 2023

The idea of cohousing, or sharing spaces outside of your home, originated in Denmark where architects observed that neighbors seemed happier living in closer contact and crossing paths more often. After the first cohousing community was built in the US 30+ years ago, the concept spread across the country and there are now over 200 active communities. CoHousing Houston will be the first cohousing community in Texas.

CoHousing Houston is an association member of the CohoUS, a national nonprofit supporting cohousing communities in creating this new American dream.



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OPPORTUNITES TO COME TOGETHER...

Cohousing brings neighbors together by design. The Common

House is the main gathering place where comunity members hold regular dinners. It is also the place where cookouts and celebrations happen. Sitting down to share a meal with neighbors is a key to cohousing's success.



Community dinner in California

Another cohousing characteristic is that communities are



self-managed. The work of the community is decided by members who are involved in the decision making as well as the actual care of the community. This brings neighbors together to work on projects and feel invested in the care of the community.

The third key to cohousing's success is built in to the space. Parking is not attached to the home, so neighbors walk along paths to their homes and run into each other. Also, everyday activities like getting the mail or taking out recycling become opportunities to connect.

...IN A GREAT PART OF TOWN

The East End is a vibrant, walkable, residential area of town. It is inside the Loop and served by the green Light Rail line. In addition, CoHousing Houston is a block away from the Harrisburg Hike and Bike Trail. The Buffalo Bayou Partnership is very active in that area of town and has begun implementing their East

Sector Master Plan that includes 40 miles of hike and bike trails, 200 acres of new and refreshed park space, boat launches, pedestrian bridges and recreational spaces.

Other highlights of the location include:

- close to UofH
 - established residential area with vibrant culture, arts, and wonderful trees
- RIDE: bike lanes for easy access around town
- WALK: restaurants, coffee shops, bars, and stores within walking distance
- DRIVE: easy access to the freeway system
- less than 3 miles to Discovery Green









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